

SUN SETS ON THE Queen dies at 96 after 70-yr. reign Tearful tributes; Charles now king

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Queen Elizabeth II, the longestreigning monarch in British history, whose dedication to royal tradition and stiff upper lip in the face of family scandals endeared her to generations around the world, died Thursday. She was 96.

The queen passed away at Balmoral Castle, her beloved summer residence in Scotland, where members of the royal family had rushed to be by her side after her health took a turn for the worse.

"The Queen has died peacefully," the official @RoyalFamily Twitter account announced at 1:30 p.m. New York time.

Elizabeth's 73-year-old son, Charles, was immediately named King Charles III, and his wife became Queen Consort Camilla.

"The death of my beloved Mother, Her Majesty, The Queen, is a moment of the greatest sadness for me and all members of my family," Charles said in a written statement.

"We mourn profoundly the passing of a cherished Sovereign and a much-loved Mother. I know her loss will be deeply felt throughout the country, the Realms and the Commonwealth, and by countless people around the world."

Here's how the news of the queen's death unfolded:

- The queen's four children Charles, Anne, Andrew and Edward, and grandson Prince William, were among those who made the frantic dash to Balmoral on Thursday after doctors issued a grave warning on Elizabeth's heath. Prince Harry arrived in Scotland a few hours after the queen's passing.
- Prince Harry's wife, Meghan Markle, did not travel with her husband and instead stayed behind in London. Prince Williams' wife, Kate Middleton, also didn't join because it was the first day of school for the couple's three chil-



FAMILY SUPPORT: Prince William (at the wheel), Prince Andrew and Prince Edward, the queen's youngest son, and wife Sophie, the Countess of Wessex, arrive at Balmoral Castle Thursday as Elizabeth's health was fading.

dren — Prince George, 9, Princess Charlotte, 7, and Prince Louis, 4.

■ Crowds of royal fans braved the rain and flocked to Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle, the queen's weekend home just outside London, to lay bouquets of flowers and pay tribute even before news of her passing broke.

- The United Kingdom went into at state of mourning, with news organizations turning their websites black and news achors donning black ties. The nation's new Prime Minister Liz Truss gave an address outside her residence, 10 Downing Street, saying: "Queen Elizabeth II leaves a great legacy."
- Preparations for Elizabeth's funeral, expected to be on Sept. 19, began immediately, under a longmade plan called "Operation London Bridge."
- President Biden was among the slew of world leaders to offer their condolences.
- Elizabeth had been suffering from what Buckingham Palace

had called "episodic mobility problems" since the end of 2021, forcing her to withdraw from most of her public engagements.

Hiring PM her final act

The queen's final official duty came just 48 hours before her death, when the visibly frail ruler met and appointed Britain's new Prime Minister Liz Truss — the 15th during her reign.

"The death of Her Majesty the Queen is a huge shock to the nation and to the world," Truss added in her address, before praising the late monarch's "devotion to duty" and calling her "the rock on which modern Britain was built."

Thousands of supporters crowded outside Buckingham Palace in the rain to pay their respects and drop off bouquets of flowers, while London's iconic black taxis lined up in tribute on the roads leading to the palace.

Close to the time her death was

announced, a stunning double rainbow shone over the huge crowd outside the palace — with many convinced it was a sign from the queen and her late husband, Prince Philip, who died in April last year at 99.

There was a stunned silence — quickly followed by tears — when the flag on top of the palace was lowered to half-staff and royal aides fixed a formal notice announcing Elizabeth's death to the front of the black iron gates.

"She meant everything to me," Londoner John Loughrey, 67, told The Post moments after the notice was posted.

"We'll never have one like her," he said. "To say I'm heartbroken is an understatement. I'm so shocked — I can't believe this."

Raja Patel, from Essex, said he was "scared this would happen soon" — but it still left him "absolutely devastated." He said there were "not enough flowers in the world for her. She was full of class."

Rolling coverage of the queen's death unfolded and the BBC, the national broadcaster, played the national anthem — "God Save the Queen," which will soon change lyrics for the first time in 70 years to honor the new king.

The Bank of England confirmed that bank notes featuring the portrait of the late queen will remain legal tender — for now.

In June, Elizabeth marked 70 years as head of state with a four-day Platinum Jubilee celebration. Her mobility issues caused her to miss the National Service of Thanksgiving ceremony at the festival, the palace said at the time.

Presidents pay respects

Meanwhile, tributes poured in Thursday from global leaders, with Biden and First Lady Jill Biden saying in statement that Elizabeth was "more than a monarch" and that "she defined an era."

Former President Barack Obama and his wife, Michelle, also recalled the queen fondly, saying they were "awed by her legacy of tireless, dignified public service."

While King Charles immediately became head of the monarchy in the wake of his mother's death, his new role won't be formally recognized by the British government until a day later.

Royal officials said Charles and Camilla will stay at Balmoral before returning to London on Friday, when he is expected to make a national address as the country enters an official mourning period

The address forms part of a meticulous funeral plan dubbed Operation London Bridge.

Under the plan, the queen's coffin will start its journey back to London by locomotive Sunday, after it will be laid out at her Scottish homes. It will be taken along a route to London that will allow well wishers to throw flowers at the passing train.





ELIZABETHAN ERA



DUTY 'TIL THE END: Shortly before her death, Queen Elizabeth greets Liz Truss before inviting her to become new British prime minister at Balmoral Castle on Tuesday — the last official photograph taken of the monarch.



LOYAL SUBJECTS: A rainbow appears as Britons gather Thursday outside of Buckingham Palace following a notice of the queen's failing health.

Grand procession across Britannia

The death of Queen Elizabeth II Thursday kicked off a decades-old plan dubbed Operation London Bridge, which is meant to ensure a smooth transition for King Charles III and to make sure the queen's funeral goes off without a hitch.

The process — which will culminate in a grand funeral likely on Sept. 19 — was expected to begin with Elizabeth's floral-wreath-adorned coffin being laid out in the ballroom of her Scottish castle, Balmoral, where she died. The late monarch will remain there until Saturday, so her staff can have a chance to pay their respects, according to the Times of London.

As part of Operation Unicorn — a subphase of the main plan that went into effect because Elizabeth died in Scotland — the queen will be then be brought to Edinburgh. There, her coffin will rest in the throne room of her Scottish palace, Holyroodhouse.

On Sunday, the coffin will be carried up the Royal Mile to St. Giles' Cathedral for a reception, before it is put on board the Royal Train at Waverley station.

Crowds of mourners are expected to gather at stations along the journey down the east coast mainline to throw flowers at the beloved monarch's locomotive.

The exact timing of these events was unclear Thursday.

The king is expected to come back to Scotland on Sunday, and he will be given the key to Edinburgh before joining the procession.

Queen Elizabeth's body will arrive at the throne room in Buckingham Palace sometime Tuesday — with an altar, the pall, the royal standard, and four Grenadier Guards standing watch.

Guards standing watch.

A procession through London will then take her coffin from Buckingham Palace on Wednesday to the Palace of Westminster, with a service at Westminster Hall following its arrival.

The queen will lie in state, with her coffin on a raised box in the middle of Westminster Hall, open to the public for 23 hours a day, if the plan detailed by Politico via a leaked memo still stands.

Preparations for the funeral will finish up the day before Westminster Abbey closes to the public the next day for the event.

The official service is expected to begin around ll a.m. and last until noon. The same day, her body will be brought to Windsor Castle for a committal service in St. George's Chapel, and the queen will be buried in the castle's King George VI Memorial Chapel.

Lee Brown and Ben Kesslen



'She built upon the mystique of monarchy'

Seven decades of regality and tending to old empire

By MARK MOORE, RUTH BROWN and LEE BROWN

When then-Princess Elizabeth turned 21 in 1947, the future monarch vowed that her "whole life, whether it be short or long, will be devoted to your service."

She would go on to reign an unprecedented 70 years, appointing 15 prime ministers and becoming a steadfast icon in Britain and beyond — all while enduring personal turmoil and family scandal in the public eye.

Known for her colorful outfits and love for corgis, the queen will be best remembered for the great feat of simply keeping the institution of the monarchy alive and going strong into the 21st century, experts said. "Through her life, she built on the mystique of monarchy all around the world," British historian Robert Lacey told The Post. "When historians look back on her reign, that will be it ... If you'd been a betting man, you'd have put your money on a republic."

The future queen was born Princess Elizabeth Alexandra Mary on April 21, 1926, in London to the then-Duke and Duchess of York. As the third in line for the throne — the daughter of King George V's second son — no one at the time expected her to ever become queen.

The lack of expectation in these early years allowed Elizabeth — known as "Lilibet" to

her family — to experience a measure of freedom before unexpectedly ascending up the royal rankings.

Élizabeth's uncle, Edward, was next in line for the throne upon the 1936 death of her grandfather, but he abdicated within the year over his scandalous relationship with American divorcée Wallis Simpson.

It left Elizabeth's dad, Prince Albert, to reluctantly assume the mantle as King George VI.

Her shy father wept upon receiving the news of his new role, but the stoic Elizabeth had already developed a strong sense of duty from a young age.

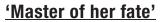
"When our father became king, I said to her, 'Does that mean you're going to become queen?' She replied, 'Yes. I suppose it does.' She didn't mention it again," Princess Margaret once recalled. Still, she famously confessed to her riding teacher a few years later that in a different life she'd "like to be a lady, living in the country with lots of horses and dogs."

As Britain entered WWII in

As Britain entered WWII in 1939, Elizabeth fell for her future husband, Philip Mountbatten — a distant cousin born into the Greek and Danish royal families. In 1947, when Elizabeth was 21, the couple finally married at Westminster Abbey.

But Philip proved to be a controversial choice due to his German heritage — some of his sisters had married men with Nazi ties, and were not invited to the wedding — fiery personality

and, later, wandering eye.



Less than a year later, Nov. 14, 1948, Prince Charles, the heir to the throne, was born. They later welcomed three more children: Princess Anne, Prince Andrew and Prince Edward.

Elizabeth was just 25 and on a trip to Kenya when she learned her father had died in his sleep on Feb. 6, 1952. Her private secretary, Martin Charteris, recalled finding the new queen at her desk looking "very composed, absolute master of her fate."

Her coronation took place at Westminster Abbey on June 2, 1953, and the pomp and pageantry was broadcast on television for the first time. After-









ward, the newly crowned Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip embarked on a seven-month world tour, hitting 13 countries and traveling more than 40,000 miles. It was the beginning of her globe-trotting ways - and her lifelong mission to keep the British Empire's former colonies loyal and united under the banner of the Commonwealth after decolonization. As measure of her long reign, which began in 1952, her first British prime minister was Winston Churchill and just before her death, Elizabeth gave the royal nod to Liz Truss.

Among her many tours to the US was a 1976 trip to celebrate America's 200th anniversary of independence from Britain. She ultimately rubbed shoulders with 13 US presidents, from Her-





YANKS A LOT: The queen met with 13 US presidents during her life, including Dwight Eisenhower (top), who hosted Her Majesty in 1957, to apparently trying to ignore Donald Trump.

bert Hoover through Joe Biden.

Family scandals

Despite her standing on the world stage, her home life was filled with turmoil. "Her children and grandchildren now are devoted to her, but the record of her children's marriages are pretty disastrous," Lacey said.

Prince Andrew's 1986 marriage to Sarah Ferguson quickly became tabloid fodder after photos surfaced of the duchess sunbathing topless with her financial adviser.

But it was Prince Charles' rocky marriage to Princess Diana in 1981 that caused Elizabeth the most heartache. Rumors of infidelities quickly shattered the fairy tale, and their marriage had spiraled to a sordid conclusion by the time they split in 1992. They divorced years later in 1996.

The queen was reportedly dismayed by Diana's free-spirited ways and lack of royal pretense — not to mention the fierce media attention the glamorous daughter-in-law attracted.

When Diana died in a 1997 car crash with boyfriend Dodi Faved in Paris, the queen was criticized for not leaving Balmoral and calming the grief-stricken country as it mourned.

She didn't address the death until days later when she paid tribute to Diana as "an exceptional and gifted human being.

Years later, royal watchers revealed the queen remained at Balmoral after Diana's death to comfort Princes William and Harry, who were then 15 and 12.

Elizabeth had to deal with yet another royal scandal in early 2021 as grandson Prince Harry and his wife, Meghan Markle, gave a bombshell interview about their reasons for leaving the monarchy.

The queen responded to the allegations, saying "the whole family is saddened" and the "issues raised, particularly that of race, are concerning" and would be addressed privately by the family.

As the fallout from this continued, Philip died in April 2021 at the age of 99. Then in January 2022, Elizabeth stripped her son Andrew of his military and royal titles and patronages after he became embroiled in the sex scandal involving Jeffrey Epstein.

Elizabeth is survived by her four children, eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

World leaders mourn with UK

Tributes and condolences poured in from across the globe Thursday as world leaders joined the UK in mourning the death of Queen Elizabeth

President Biden ordered White House flags be lowered to half-staff in honor of the queen, who passed away Thursday at her Scottish estate.

"The American people mourn today with people throughout the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth," he wrote in a condolences book at the British Embassy in Washington, DC, where he made a visit with First Lady Jill Biden Thursday night.

"She was a great lady. We're so delighted we got to meet her," Biden told reporters.

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau added: "Today, a page has not only been turned, but a chapter in our shared history has drawn to a close. I know Her Majesty's service to Canada and Canadians will forever remain an important part of our country's history."

French President Emmanuel Macron said: "Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II embodied the British nation's continuity and unity for over 70 years. I remember her as a friend of France, a kindhearted queen who has left a lasting impression on her country and her century."

Former Presidents Barack Obama and Donald Trump also mourned the loss.

"Melania and I will always cherish our time together with the queen, and never forget Her Majesty's generous friendship, great wisdom and wonderful sense of humor. What a grand and beautiful lady she was — there was nobody like her!" Trump said.

Said Obama: "Like so many, Michelle and I are grateful to have witnessed Her Majesty's dedicated leadership, and we are awed by her legacy of tireless, dignified public service."

Ben Feuerherd



HE queen is dead.

Even as I write those words, I can't quite believe them, and it makes me feel incredibly emotional.

I'll admit to shedding a tear when the news came through, as I'm sure most people did.

How could we not be hugely moved by this massive, seismic moment in history?

Elizabeth II was monarch of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth for my entire life.

In fact, she was on the throne for 13 years longer than I've been

She was the longest-reigning monarch in British history, and the second longest reigning anywhere in the world only eclipsed by France's King Louis XIV, who gained his title at the age of just 4 years old so doesn't really compare.

That makes her the undisputed GOAT, the greatest of all time; a monumental, towering royal colossus who is not only the most famous person on Planet Earth, but the most respected.

Her death is thus an enormous blow, not just to the British people but to my nation's psyche.

It doesn't matter that she was 96. If anything, her great age, and extraordinarily long tenure, makes this loss even harder to bear.

The queen carried an aura of invincibility about her.

She was always there, a constant rock of stability in an often tumultuous, fragile and dangerous world.

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MORGAN

Through wars, terrorism, natural disasters and shocking tragedies, she was a stupendously stoic symbol of strength, resil-

ience, hope and inspiration.

Never was this better illustrated than when she addressed Britain at the height of the COVID pandemic as the deadly virus was destroying lives as fast as it was destroying economies. It was also a message to the entire world.

"I want to reassure you that if we remain united and resolute," she said, "then we will overcome it. I hope in the years to come everyone will be able to take pride in how they responded to this challenge. And those who come after us will say Britons of this generation were as strong as any. That the attributes of self-discipline, of quiet good-humored resolve and of fellow-feeling still characterize this country. The pride in who we are is not a part of our past, it defines our present and the future."

In a few brief minutes, when we were all on our knees from anxiety, grief and exhaustion, the

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She consoled, encouraged &

queen once again lifted our spir-

us hope for the future. That was her greatest quality, always knowing exactly what to say and when to say it.

Young ascent

It's staggering to think that she was just shy of 26 when she inherited the crown, three years younger than my eldest son.

So much pressure at such a young age, yet from the moment

of her coronation, she led this country with a majesty way beyond her years.

Queen Elizabeth was quite simply the fin-

est, most dedicated servant Britain's ever had.

A woman who devoted her life to duty, putting service to her country above all else.

She was noble, dignified, humble and intensely private.

Uniquely for world leaders, she never gave a single real interview, preferring to let her actions and few public words speak for her, which they did so powerfully.

She worked strictly to the simple philosophy handed down from her mother, the queen mother: "Never complain, never explain, and speak rarely in pub-

She never chased celebrity, instead it chased her.

As the reaction to her death shows, she was the biggest star of

I had the honor of meeting the queen three times. She was small but robustly sturdy, always perfectly groomed, and deployed that

famous fixed regal grin to cover myriad emotions.

Beneath the benign, almost mumsy appearance lurked a formidably sharp brain and a waspish sense of humor.

"Do you enjoy hosting your garden parties?" I once asked her at a Windsor Castle party thrown for British media figures in 2002 — as we looked out over the magnificently tended green fields.

"Well, Mr. Morgan," she replied, "let me put it this way: How would YOU like 12,000 complete strangers trampling on YOUR lawn?"

I've got a photo of that moment, and it's a treasured possession.

The queen was always supremely calm, especially when everyone else was panicking.

In fact, I only saw her rattled on one occasion, and that was in the dark difficult days after the death of Princess Diana in 1997.

The royals decamped to Balmoral in Scotland as the nation descended into grief, and Her Majesty was personally attacked for the first time anyone could reflag at Buckingham Palace and for making no personal address to the nation.

I spoke to one of her press chiefs at the time, and he said she was like the proverbial rabbit trapped in headlights — unable to rid herself of the rigid formality the royals had always been taught to practice in such times of crisis and personal grief.

I remember writing the headline on the Daily Mirror front page (I was the paper's editor at the time): SPEAK TO US, MAAM,







YOUR PEOPLE ARE SUFFER-ING. It may seem utterly impertinent now, but in the moment it accurately reflected the mood of the country.

The next morning, the queen came back to London, lowered the flag and spoke to the nation without her famous tiara.

"I speak as a grandmother," she began, and then made one of the greatest and most perfectly pitched speeches I've ever heard — sincere, eloquent, moving, direct.

The mood changed instantly,

from anger to respect and affection.

And right there, I understood the primary purpose of the queen — to console, comfort, celebrate with, encourage and stabilize the people of Great Britain.

And I also understood her brilliant instincts when it came to getting the right message out to the public.

She did it for 70 years and barely ever put a foot, or word, wrong.

During the making of an official royal documentary about her life,

titled "Elizabeth R," in 1992, she told the director: "One feels the buck stops here, so to speak. I had a letter this morning. It said: 'I've been going round and round in circles, but you are the only person who can stop the circle.' I thought that was rather nice."

In the end, the buck did indeed stop with her. And she stopped a multitude of circles on a daily basis.

An American journalist — she reigned for nearly a third of the United States' entire history! — once asked me, "What is the

POINT of the queen?" and it was a good question.

She wasn't an elected official and had no real executive powers like a US president.

But each week she met with her prime minister, and the importance of those private encounters, and her influence over those running the country, cannot be overstated.

She had 15 prime ministers during her reign, and I've spoken to three of them — Margaret Thatcher, Tony Blair and Gordon Brown — about her.

All attested to the queen's extraordinary wisdom gleaned from meeting every leader for the last 70 years, including 13 US presidents, and surveying every world crisis in that time.

"There was no problem I encountered that she hadn't seen before, in some form," Blair told me. "I found that very comforting."

"She's so intelligent," agreed Brown, "and never hesitated to challenge me about something if she didn't agree."

"I trusted her instincts better than almost anyone else's," said Thatcher.

I did, too.

Leaves a void behind

The queen had a remarkable ability to instantly grasp the importance and seriousness of any problem, nationally or globally, and react accordingly.

She was highly intelligent and remarkably well read, and the extraordinary life she led and the vast array of people she met gave her tremendous almost unparalleled experience, wisdom and perspective.

Now she is gone, and her death couldn't come at a worse time.

Britain, like much of the world, has been battered by coronavirus, financial crisis, political toxicity and a new war in Europe.

The very last thing we need in these horrendous times is the loss of our rock, this diminutive but gigantic figurehead who made us all feel everything would be OK.

But she would be the first to tell us to get a grip, dry our tears and get on with it, as she always did.

For Queen Elizabeth II, the country she loved so much came first, middle and last.

So, as we mourn this phenomenal lady, let's invoke her spirit.

The only solace is that she is now reunited with her own rock, Prince Philip, and that with the Platinum Jubilee celebrations in the summer, we got the chance to show her how much she meant to us and to the world.

Thank you for everything, Ma'am.

You were the greatest of Britons who represented the very best of what our country has to offer.

Mournful M'hattan expats

New York mourned the death of Queen Elizabeth II, with everyone from Britishborn residents to the Empire State Building paying tribute.

At Myers of Keswick in the West Village on Thursday, sad UK expats remembered Elizabeth as a matriarch who "epitomized stoicism, calmness and fortitude."

"I just wanted a sausage roll to feel better, so that's what I'm doing," said Stevie Bowen, 26, an Upper East Sider who was born in Luton, England.

"She feels like home, and her passing is a lot of nostalgia," said Bowen, who was holding a bag of British goodies. "She reminds me of my nan, my grandma, just a generation that has been through so much."

Mourners left lilies and red carnations outside the store.

"She was 96, so I knew it was imminent, but on the one hand I felt like she was eternal, like she would live forever," said store owner Jennifer Myers-Pulidore, 44.

Steven Vago, Kirsten Fleming, Natalie O'Neill

Prof wishes 'pain' in death

A self-proclaimed "antiracist, feminist" college professor wished Queen Elizabeth II an "excruciating" death — earning her prompt backlash from Amazon founder Jeff Bezos.

"I heard the chief monarch of a thieving raping genocidal empire is finally dying," Uju Anya, an associate professor of second-language acquisition at Carnegie Mellon University, wrote in a tweet on Thursday. "May her pain be excruciating."

The world's third-richest man then quoted Anya's tweet, adding: "This is someone supposedly working to make the world better?

"I don't think so," Bezos added.

Twitter later took down Anya's initial tweet for violating its rules. Theo Wayt

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for the wife of a reigning king and does not carry the power and importance of the reigning sovereign, all of which instead now goes to Camilla's husband, the new

noted.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II (1926-2022)



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During this period of mourning and change, my family and I will be comforted and sustained by our knowledge of the respect and deep affection in which The Queen was so widely held.

Camilla 'crowned' consort

The death of Queen Elizabeth II has paved the way for a new UK queen - or at least queen consort — in

Before her death Thursday, the longest-serving monarch in royal history had declared it was her "sincere wish" that once-controversial daughter-in-law "be known

The regal title is reserved King Charles, 73.

It is a role that rests entirely on her being married to the king, meaning she will not take the throne if he dies before her. Still, a queen consort is "crowned with the King, in a similar but simpler ceremony," the royal family Lee Brown



DOUGLAS MURRAY

HE queen is dead. Long live the king. That is the call that has gone out in the last day since the news of the death of Queen Elizabeth II. It is right that as well as mourning her passing and thinking on her legacy, the United Kingdom, Commonwealth and others look to the future.

Within an hour of the news of the queen's death, it was announced that her heir and successor would be known as Charles III. It is a title that — as everything to do with the monarchy looks backward as well as forward.

The story of the two previous Charles is not entirely happy. Charles I presided over a bloody civil war in England and ended up being beheaded in London in 1649. But if his reign represented disaster, that of his son, Charles II, represented rebirth. Charles II oversaw the restoration of the monarchy and the continuation of one of the most successful institutions in the world.

Their successor, Charles III, has certainly known triumph and disaster during the extraordinary 73 years in which he has been heir to the throne.

Politically intrusive

He has been much criticized for being too politically intrusive. The constitutional monarch in Britain should remain above politics. The late queen was always there to counsel and console her prime ministers, but she would never have dreamed of lobbying them. Her eldest son has been known to take a different approach.

In recent decades, we learned of his habit of sending personally handwritten letters to members of government giving them his views. Just recently, he criticized the UK government's asylum policy. If it is an approach that is questionable from a prince, it is one that is unthinkable from a king.

But then Charles is known to have strong views on many issues. Occasionally that has brought him praise. Sometimes people have recognized that, on certain issues — such as the environment — he has been



Charles III is in charge





ahead of his time.

Yet in no area of his life has Charles had more ups and downs as in his private life. Like all other members of the royal family, this has been obsessively pored over. But then there was much to see.

He married Princess Diana in 1981 before the eyes of the world. It looked like a fairy-tale marriage, but as everybody now knows, it turns out that the prince had not married his true love. That woman — Camilla Parker Bowles — would, as Diana put it, famously become the "third person" in their marriage. The separation in 1992 was bitter, and as Diana carefully leaked stories about her unhappiness, public feeling started to

turn against Charles.

When Diana died in a car crash in Paris in 1997, public feeling toward him could have turned nasty.

But their sons — William and Harry — were the prince's priority and the public saw and respected that. It became clear how much their father cared for them and what a priority he made of them.

By 2005, with his sons' blessing, it became possible for him to finally marry the woman who will be titled "queen consort." The British public's feelings toward Camilla have also mellowed over time and she has come to be an accepted and even loved fixture in the royal family.

With age, the prince has certainly mellowed. And people have had an opportunity to respect the good he has already done for his nation.

He has founded remarkable charities like the Prince's Trust that has helped thousands of young people in all walks of life. He has been recognized for his tireless charitable work, and for his devotion to public service. That same devotion isn't shared by all the royals. The disastrous careers of Prince Andrew and Prince Harry are the most recent proof of that.

'Slimming' the royals

Charles is long said to have designs on "slimming down" the royal family with the possibility of no place in the front line of the monarchy for Andrew and Harry.

At the leading edge of any "new look" royal family would be the new Prince and Princess of Wales, William and wife Katherine, who in recent years have taken on a more prominent role in British public life as they juggle royal duties with raising a busy brood of three children, George, Charlotte and Louis.

In Charles' own heir, the monarchy looks in stable hands for at least another two generations to come.

That will be the hope of the new king and of his nation, certainly. But it would also be the finest tribute to the "beloved mother" whom he and so many others are mourning today.

HARRY IN LATE SHOW



Prince Harry did not make it to Balmoral in time to say goodbye to his grandmother Queen Elizabeth II Thursday before she died, The Post has learned.

Like other members of the royal family, Harry rushed to the queen's beloved Scottish estate as news of her rapidly declining health spread. But sources said he was too late.

His wife Meghan Markle, who was already in the UK with Harry at their old home Frogmore Cottage in Windsor, did not travel with him.

The Duke and Duchess of Sussex — who infamously quit the royal family in early 2020 — issued a poignant tribute to the UK's longest-reigning monarch later Thursday.

The website of their Archewell foundation was updated to a single black page reading, "In loving memory of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. 1926-2022."

COLD: Prince Harry (above with wife Meghan Markle and the late queen) arrived (below) shortly after his grandmother Elizabeth passed away Thursday.



The rest of the site's functionality was also disabled.

Tensions between the California couple and the royal family have been high ever since the Sussexes trashed the monarchy in a bombshell interview with Oprah Winfrey last year.

Sara Nathan and Ben Kesslen

Lined up for the throne

The UK's royal line of succession after the death of Queen Elizabeth started with her heir, Charles, who was named King Charles III immediately after her passing Thursday.

Next in line is Prince Charles' eldest son, Prince William, who along with his wife Kate Middleton has taken a front-and-center role in the royal family.

Prince William's eldest child, 9-year-old Prince George, is second in line for the crown followed by his 7-year-old sister, Princess Charlotte, and his 4-year-old brother, Prince Louis.

Charles and Princess Diana's second son, Prince Harry, 37, — who stepped back from official royal duties last year — is now fifth in line.

Natalie O'Neill

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ALL HER MAJESTY





CROWNING ACHIEVEMENTS: Then-Princess Elizabeth beams at hubby Phillip, the Duke of Edinburgh, at their Nov. 20, 1947, royal wedding. Less than six years later, she is coronated at 25 (right) as Queen Elizabeth II in Westminster Abbey, ushering in a reign that would overlap with 15 prime ministers, including Winston Churchill (left, with Her Royal Highness in 1951).





Matriarch of a nation beloved one and a







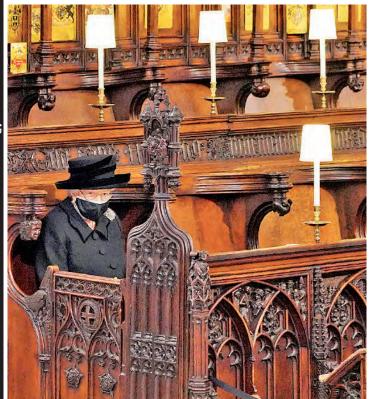














MORE MUDSLINGING: After Gov. Hochul suggested her gubernatorial rival, Rep. Lee Zeldin (right), "head down to Florida where you belong," Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis — a big Zeldin backer — hit back in a fundraiser email Thursday, calling her the "pro-criminal Andrew Cuomo 2.0."

By ZACH WILLIAMS

A simmering feud between Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis and Democratic New York Gov. Hochul boiled over Thursday with the conservative firebrand throwing rhetorical bombs on her record while fundraising for her Republican rival Rep. Lee Zeldin.

"The corrupt, far-left, pro-criminal Andrew Cuomo 2.0, a k a Kathy Hochul - recently declared that Lee was no longer a New Yorker, because he disagrees with her radical policies. Hochul demanded that Lee get on a bus and move to Florida," reads the Re-publican governor's Thursday afternoon fundraising pitch ahead of the Nov. 8 election.

"Folks are fleeing a place where politicians like Hochul attack the wallets, safety, freedom, and kids' education of the very people she is supposed to represent," he adds.

Deepening involvement for De-Santis, who canceled an in-person

fundraising appearance with fellow Republican Zeldin last month, in the New York governor's race follows several jabs from the Democratic incumbent in recent weeks.

"No surprise to see Zeldin riding the coattails of the GOP standard bearer for extremism and attacks on fundamental rights," Hochul campaign spokesman Jerrel Harvey said.

Hochul also blasted DeSantis in April for smiling while signing into law a 15-week abortion ban.

In recent weeks, she dubbed De-Santis as "overrated" while speaking off the cuff at an Aug. 10 event commemorating the Holocaust.

"Trump and Zeldin and Molinaro — just jump on a bus and head down to Florida where you belong. OK? Get out of town. Because you don't represent our values," she said on Aug. 22 after Democrat Pat Ryan beat Republican Marc Molinaro in a special congressional election.

Hochul also seems to be weighing on the mind of DeSantis, who took a shot at her on Aug. 30 by

calling her "ridiculous."

"You have the governor of New York saying all Republicans need to get on a bus and leave the state and come to Florida," he told reporters.

Such comments have played into Zeldin's efforts to cast Hochul as an intolerant and out-of-touch leader amid rising crime and inflation.

It could backfire

But using DeSantis to attack Hochul could become a doubleedged sword for Zeldin as her campaign assails him as too extreme on issues like abortion, gun rights and his votes against certifying the 2020 election results, experts have said.

Republican candidates have to strike a careful balance in New York considering how registered Democrats outnumber their GOP counterparts by roughly two-to-one.

You're walking a tightrope in a lot of ways and you have to be smart about it," political consultant Tom Doherty, who previously worked for Republican New York Gov. George Pataki, told The Post.

Meanwhile, Harvey told The Post, "Cozying up to a dangerous extremist like DeSantis won't save Zeldin's campaign."

But popular right-wing figures like DeSantis and ex-President Donald Trump have a proven record of helping the GOP standardbearer close a big fundraising gap against Hochul, who reported having \$11.7 million compared to \$1.57 million for Zeldin in mid-July.

Trump helped Zeldin raise \$1.5 million on Sunday, while the fundraiser advertised with DeSantis before his unexpected cancellation brought in \$1 million more, according to the Zeldin campaign.

"Despite Hochul's demands, Lee is not going anywhere. He's standing his ground to fight for New York, FIRE Kathy Hochul, and Save New York before it's gone for good!" DeSantis said in the new fundraising email.

Kat fete at **JFK** amid turbulence

A Thursday event at JFK Airport highlighted how Gov. Hochul is leveraging her day job against Republican rival Lee Zeldin while dodging his attacks on rising crime, inflation and her avoiding debates before the Nov. 8 election.

"We've got to make sure this woman gets in this office for good," NBA leg-end Earvin "Magic" John-son said at an official Hochul event touting the groundbreaking of a new terminal at JFK.

The airport event was one of many the governor has hosted in recent weeks touting accomplishments in office while surrogates Zeldin, whom her campaign has labeled extreme on issues like abortion, gun rights and the issue of the legitimacy of 2020 election results.

A poll released last week showed Hochul ahead by just 4 points.

Zach Williams

Deal to limit NYC class size

Gov. Hochul on Thursday signed legislation smaller class sizes for New York City public schools after reaching a deal on changes to the controversial bill with Mayor Adams and state lawmakers.

The governor agreed to delay the law from fully taking effect until 2028, with implementation next fall. It caps kindergarten through third grade classes at 20 students; fourth through eighth grade at 23; and high school at 25. Zach Williams, Bernadette Hogan & Cayla Bamberger

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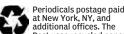
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OFFICER CHOWDHURY Leaves hospital Thursday.

Bx. teen held in cop mug

A 16-year-old boy was arrested Thursday in connection with the brutal broaddaylight mugging of an off-duty NYPD cop in The Bronx — the same day the injured officer was released from the hospital.

The boy, the second teen busted in the Aug. 23 attack on Officer Muhammed Chowdhury, was nabbed by the department's Warrants Squad around 6 a.m. at his Bronx home, cops said.

He was charged with robbery and gang assault, authorities said.

Chowdhury - left with a fractured skull and bleeding on the brain after the Castle Hill attack — was released Thursday morning after weeks of treatment at Jacobi Medical Center.

The young teen, as well as Oshawn Logan, 18 — who was nabbed days after the assault — are believed to be connected to other incidents. Two other suspects are still being sought, cops Tina Moore

and Amanda Woods

Legionnaires' bug at Riis

Now there's something else in the water at NYCHA's Iacob Riis Houses.

City officials say a new round of water tests at the public housing complex where arsenic was recently discovered - have come back positive for the bacteria that causes Legionnaires' disease.

A spokesman for the administration dropped the bombshell about new potential trouble with the water supply at the Jacob Riis Houses late Wednesday, No cases have been reported.

Bernadette Hogan

BANNON DEFIANT





FUND 'RAZOR': A scraggly Steve Bannon, who was pardoned by then-President Donald Trump, surrenders to New York authorities Thursday for his alleged role in scamming donors to a "We Build the Wall" fund.

Says wall-'scam' bust won't silence him

By SNEJANA FARBEROV, KHRISTINA NARIZHNAYÁ and BRUCE GOLDING

Former President Donald Trump's strategist Steve Bannon surrendered Thursday to face state charges in an alleged \$15 million borderwall fundraising scam for which Trump pardoned him last year.

Bannon lashed out at Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg as he was escorted into the DA's lower Manhattan headquarters, accusing the progressive Democrat of mounting a political prosecution to influence the upcoming midterm elections.

"This is all about 60 days to the day," he said in a reference to Nov. 8, the date of the midterms.

Bannon also invoked a trip by city officials who were sent on a "fact-finding" mission to the southern border by Mayor Adams amid his clash with Texas Gov. Greg Abbott over the relocation of migrants to the Big Apple.

"This is an irony: On the very day the mayor of this city has a delegation down on the border, they're persecuting people here," he said.

'It's all nonsense'

Bannon, dressed in a dark jacket and shirts with no tie, spoke as plainclothes and uniformed cops directed him from a black SUV to the entrance of One Hogan Place.

Bannon was later brought into Manhattan Criminal Court in handcuffs, which were removed before his arraignment on three counts of conspiracy, two counts of money laundering and one count of scheme to defraud.

He faces a maximum of five to 15 years in prison if convicted.

Defense lawyer David Schoen, who defended Trump during his second impeachment trial, entered not guilty pleas on behalf of Bannon, who was released without bail pending an Oct. 4 court hearing.

As he left the courtroom, Bannon said, "It's all nonsense. They will never shut me up."

Outside, Schoen said, "I read the charges all the way through. He is not guilty of anything that he is charged with or of any crime."

Bannon, who hosts the "Bannon's War Room" podcast, repeated the notion that he'd been charged to "shut me down and take me out" of what he called "the most important election since 1862, since the Civil War.

"I got news for them. I have not yet begun to fight," he said.

"We are going to win a sweeping landslide at every level. From school boards to election officials, the state legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate. We are not going to back down and they will not be able to shut me up."
A supporter shouted, "We love

you, Steve!" when he finished speaking.

During an afternoon news conference, Bragg and state Attorney General Letitia James said charges against Bannon were the result of a joint probe launched after he was federally pardoned.

Bragg said Bannon and other organizers of the "We Build the Wall" campaign lied by claiming that "not one penny" would go to its president.

Rudy 'fesses to owing ex 'only' 50G

Rudy Giuliani admitted to owing his ex-wife money — but called her lawsuit claiming he's withholding \$260,000 a "gross exaggeration" at a hearing Thursday.

Judith Giuliani, 67, had asked a judge last month to hold her 78-vear-old ex-husband in contempt and toss him behind bars for allegedly falling behind on \$262,000 owed under the terms of their 2019 divorce settlement.

"I do owe her money but I don't owe her \$260,000," the former mayor told the judge in Manhattan Supreme Court, where he acted as

his own lawyer.
"That's a gross exaggeration," he added. "I owe her \$50,000."

Earlier, Supreme Court Justice Michael Katz told Rudy that he's technically in default for not filing papers in response to Iudith's allegations.

Giuliani admitted to

the legal blunder, saying: "I'm being sued in 10 different cases. I'm getting ready for two massive hearings.'

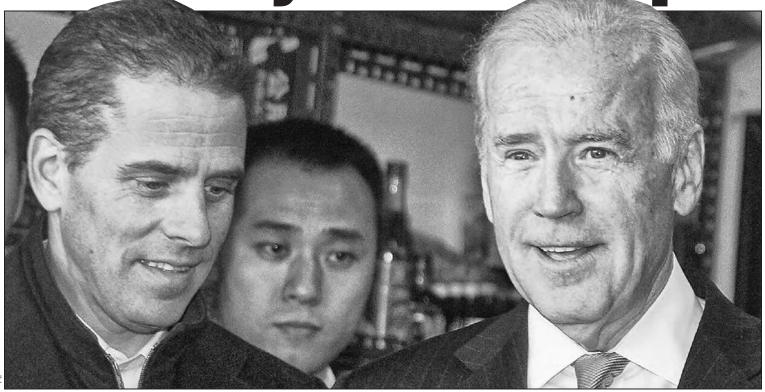
Judith's lawyer, Dror Bikel, told the judge, "My client has no income right now. If [Rudy] could write a check to her today ... "

Priscilla DeGregory



BITTER: Rudy Giuliani faces off against his ex-wife Judith and her lawyers in court Thursday.

Meet my commie pal



A BEIJING THING: Hunter Biden (left) and then-VP dad Joe make the rounds in China in 2013. Hunter had agreed to arrange a meeting of his business associates with an official of the Chinese Communist Party, according to emails obtained from Hunter's abandoned laptop computer.

Hunter agreed to arrange biz-pal intro

By MIRANDA DEVINE and BRUCE GOLDING

Hunter Biden told a business partner that he'd be "happy" to introduce their associates to a Chinese Communist Party official after being told he sat next to the man during a 2013 dinner in Beijing honoring his dad.

The request came from James "Jimmy" Bulger — namesake nephew of the late Boston crime boss James "Whitey" Bulger and a former Hunter partner in a Chinese investment firm funded by the government-controlled Bank of China - emails from the first son's infamous laptop show.

The revelation of the planned sitdown involving Hong Kong shipping billionaire Tung Chee-hwa came amid renewed scrutiny of Hunter's controversial overseas business dealings, which Republicans in Congress have vowed to investigate if they regain control in the Nov. 8 midterm elections.

In a July 22, 2014, email, first reported by Fox News, Bulger sought to arrange a meeting between Tung - the first chief executive of Hong Kong after the island reverted to Chinese control in 1997 — and two executives of the BHR Partners company, CEO Ionathan Li and committee member Andy Lu.

Joe talk divisive: poll

Most Americans believe President Biden's prime-time speech last week, in which he attacked former President Donald Trump and his "Make America Great Again" movement as a threat to the nation, will only serve to further divide Americans, according to a poll.

The Reuters/Ipsos survey found that 59% of respondents said Biden's Sept. 1 remarks in Philadelphia will further fray national unity — and nearly half of those polled didn't even bother to watch the speech.

The Reuters poll also found that 58% of Americans say the MAGA movement is jeopardizing the foundations of democracy and 60% of Republicans don't think the movement represents the majority of the GOP.

The survey put Biden's approval rating at 39%, with 57% Mark Moore disapproving.

Tung has been vice-chair of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference National Committee since 2005, according to its web-

The CPPCC is the "highest-ranking entity" that oversees the Chinese government's "United Front" strategy to "co-opt and neutralize sources of potential opposition to the policies and authority of its ruling Chinese Communist Party," according to a 2018 report by the Congressional US-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

In his message, Bulger told Hunter that Li and Lu were "very keen to meet Mr. Tung and discuss BHR investment targets as well as fundraising," adding, "Both of our guys over there believe Mr. Tung can be very helpful right now."

Bulger also brought up a dinner that Hunter attended when he joined his then-VP dad on an official six-day trip to Asia in Decem-

"It is my understanding that during the trip to Beijing that you made with your father, President Xi [Jinping of China] hosted a welcome dinner," Bulger wrote.

"[A]t that dinner, you were seated right next to Mr. Tung, therefore J and Andy believe it would be very helpful if you could please send a brief email to Mr. Tung laying out that you are a partner and Board Member of BHR and that You would be grateful to Mr. Tung if he could meet your local partners to discuss the Fund."

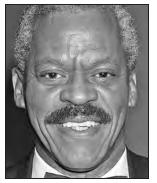
Quit biz subsidiary

It's unclear if the meeting between Tung and the BHR execs took place or whether Tung actually sat next to Hunter at the 2013

Hunter resigned from the board of BHR Equity Investment Fund Management Co., a subsidiary of BHR Partners, in October 2019, during his father's successful campaign for the White House, but kept a 10% ownership take in the company.

After the White House repeatedly refused to say whether Hunter still maintained the holding, a lawyer for him told The New York Times last November that Hunter "no longer holds any interest, directly or indirectly, in either BHR or Skaneateles," the company through which he invested in BHR.

Hunter's lawyers didn't immediately respond to a request for comment from The Post. Bulger, Li, Lu and Tung didn't respond to inquiries, according to Fox News.



CNN's Bernard Shaw, 82, dies

Veteran former CNN anchor Bernard Shaw, who helped lead the network's breaking-news coverage for more than two decades, has

Shaw died of pneumonia Wednesday at a hospital in Washington, DC, his family said in a statement to the network Thursday.

He was 82. His death was unrelated to COVID-19, according to his family.

Shaw (above) was CNN's first chief anchor when it launched its 24-hour cable news network in June 1980.

He retired from CNN in February 2001 after more than 20 years.

"Even after he left CNN, Bernie remained a close member of our CNN family, providing our viewers with context about historic events as recently as last year," CNN Chairman and CEO Chris Licht said in a statement.

"The condolences of all of us at CNN go out to his wife, Linda, and his children."

A funeral service will be held for relatives and invited guests, and a public memorial service will take place at a later date, his family said.

"In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Bernard Shaw Scholarship Fund at the University of Chicago," a family statement said.

Throughout his career, Shaw reported on many global breaking-news events, including the 1989 Tiananmen Square massacre in China, the California earthquake in 1994 and Princess Diana's death in 1997.

He also reported live from Iraq in 1991 during the first Gulf war. Emily Crane A Manhattan woman was arrested Thursday over a scheme in which she allegedly siphoned nearly \$300,000 from dozens of investors — and used the cash to bankroll her luxurious lifestyle, the feds said.

Lakenya Hopkins, 44, is accused of preying on people of color by telling them investing with her would lead to generational wealth, federal prosecutors said.

Hopkins, who was nabbed with the help of the NYPD's financial crimes task force and the US Secret Service, allegedly conned 110 people out of \$290,000 from August 2020 until about April 2021.

In November 2020, she used about \$85,000 from investors to put down a year's worth of rent on a Manhattan home, prosecutors said in an indictment. She also used some of the funds on travel and to buy cryptocurrency for her own benefit, the complaint states.

While running Money Magnet Platinum Membership Initiative LLC, Hopkins promised astronomical — and unrealistic — rates of returns on investments, the Manhattan US Attorney's Office said.

"She lied to induce their investments and continued to lie when they questioned her about the status of their investments," US Attorney Damian Williams said. "Instead of investing the money as promised, she allegedly enriched herself."

Hopkins was charged with one count each of securities fraud and wire fraud that could land her in prison for 40 years if convicted. David Propper and Larry Celona

Citadel boss' Miami record

Finance kingpin Ken Griffin has been revealed as the buyer in the most expensive residential realestate transfer in Miami history.

The Citadel boss — who recently announced the relocation of his firm from crime-ravaged Chicago to Miami — purchased the four-acre compound in Coconut Grove for \$106,875,000 last week, according to The Real Deal.

The waterfront spread was put on the market by businesswoman and philanthropist Adrienne Arsht for \$150 million in January. nilariabaldwin/Instagram (2)

While Palm Beach's red-hot real estate market has seen its share of nine-figure transfers, Griffin's purchase marks the first time a Miami property has crossed the threshold.

Selim Algar

Baldwin girl's bold makeup is a ...
LIP DISSERVICE

By JEANETTE SETTEMBRE

For the kiddie set, back-to-school supplies should definitely include crayons, but lipstick?

Parents are debating an image of Alec and Hilaria Baldwin's 9-year-old daughter, Carmen, in heavy makeup on the first day of school. On Wednesday, Hilaria, who is pregnant with the couple's seventh child, shared a picture to Instagram of the fourth-grader wearing a dark burgundy lipstick and what appears to be mascara. Parents and experts noted that experimenting with

makeup at home can be child's play, but going to elementary school with a fully done up face is inappropriate.

"Parents should be cautious about kids' use of makeup outside the home until middle school," Jamie Ratner, a Maryland mom of two and author of the book "ParentPreneurs," told The Post. She didn't start letting her daughter wear makeup until age 13, and only then for her bat mitzvah.

'A really slippery slope'

"It's [about] not wanting them at a younger age to be so focused on the way they look," Ratner said. "In terms of development, that would be the concern."

Baldwin's post comes weeks after Kourtney Kardashian, 43, got flak for letting her 10-year-old daughter, Penelope, contour her face with foundation in a video on social media.

"At her age she shouldn't be contouring and all that. Yeah, lipstick here and there, but really? SMH poor thing by the time she's 18 she's gonna be with implants looking like she's 30 smh," one critic said on Twitter.

It's not the first time the Baldwins have faced backlash over Carmen's cosmetics. The social media police sounded off in a thread on Reddit after Hilaria posted a photo of the youngster in lipstick in August.

"Putting makeup on third graders to go out is completely f - - ked up. This isn't glitter-on-

UNCOOL FOR SCHOOL: Hilaria and Alec Baldwin's 9-year-old daughter, Carmen (left and above), appeared heavily made up for her first day of fourth grade. She's the oldest of the Baldwins' six (soon to be seven) children.



NATURAL BEAUTY: Mom-of-two Jamie Ratner didn't let daughter Lila (above) wear makeup outside the house until she was 13.

your-cheeks fairy costume vibes at all — It's sexualization of a child and it's extremely disgusting," the user wrote.

Other parents, meanwhile, say the age of when kids should be allowed to wear makeup to school depends on several factors, and getting to the root of why they want to wear it is important.

"It's a really slippery slope — with the way our society is and the social media our kids are being exposed ... We as parents are forced with these difficult decisions of how do we encourage freedom of expression and identity but also try to preserve the innocence and encourage kids to be kids?" Stephanie Dreyer, 47, a Los Angeles mom of three, told The Post. She has two daughters, ages 16 and 18, and neither wore makeup to school until they were in high school, though they experimented earlier on.

Self-esteem issues

"My girls were playing with eye shadow [at home] watching YouTube tutorials and that was their creative outlet," Dreyer said. But, she didn't allow them to wear makeup outside the home, lest they go out looking older than they are — and attract unhealthy attention.

"We had an open conversation about what is attractive about wanting to wear makeup — what is the reason? Is it because everyone's doing it? Is it because they don't feel pretty without it? Is it peer pressure? There has to be a dialogue on what's behind it," Dreyer said.

While allowing kids to creatively express themselves is vital to their growth, parenting experts caution that wearing makeup at school, especially in elementary and middle school, can have a negative effect on confidence.

"Many middle schoolers struggle with selfesteem issues as their bodies begin to change. It's natural that they become more concerned with their clothes and hair, and most parents think it's fine for their middle schooler to begin wearing lip gloss," Laura Markham, Ph.D., author of "Peaceful Parent, Happy Kids" told The Post. But, if elementary school kids are looking to wear makeup, that's a cause for concern that warrants a conversation with your child about what's behind their Maybelline desires.

Markham said, "It's important for parents to talk with kids about the pressure on girls to fit societal standards of beauty."

'Ultra' athlete benefits

Apple upgrades

By THEO WAYT

Apple's upgraded smartwatches have fitness buffs and hardcore outdoorsmen buzzing — even if the tech giant's new line of iPhones failed to cause much of a stir.

The Apple Watch Ultra (above) was the most innovative product unveiled during the company's much-anticipated annual event Wednesday, many enthusiasts said. It goes on sale Sept. 23 for \$799.

The sleek, titanium-designed watch will

get up to 36 hours of battery life on each charge or up to 60 hours under a new battery optimization feature. By comparison, the current generation Apple Watch Series 7 has an 18-hour battery

Underscoring its pitch to extreme athletes, Apple said the Ultra also includes a more precise GPS and a new app called Backtrack that helps hikers retrace their steps. If gadget enthusiasts wander too far off the trail or find themselves trapped, they can activate an 86-decibel siren that can be heard up to 600 meters away, ac-

cording to Apple.
"It's honestly so impressive," gushed iJustine, a You-Tube star who tested out the device at Apple's Cupertino headquarters. "This is built for the action sports person in mind, but who's to say the everyday person can't enjoy the Apple Watch Ultra."

Diving aids

For divers, the Apple Watch is water resistant up to 100 meters and comes with a new depth detector and an app that can

help guide their ascents and descents.

device The comes also with three built-in microphones that are intended to improve sound quality and help users make calls in windy environments.

It comes in three differently textured and colored bands for climbers, hikers and scuba divers.

The Ultra and the new \$399 Apple Watch Series 8 also feature upgraded fertility and period tracking features for women. Both watches also come with a feature that can detect car

Cop shoots 'attacking' car

An NYPD detective fired his gun at a vehicle that was allegedly driving toward a sergeant during a traffic stop in The Bronx on Thursday, police and law enforcement sources said. The detective shot once in the vicinity of East 233rd Street and Harper Avenue and struck the vehicle, not the driver, who was taken into custody, authorities said. Tina Moore



Migrant boost in schools

The city's public school system has enrolled 1,400 migrant children to start the school year - many of whom were bused into the Big Apple from Texas by both the Biden administration and Lone Star State Gov. Greg Abbott — after crossing the southern border.

"We want every child to have a chance to be able to thrive and grow and prosper, no matter their ZIP code, no matter their ethnicity, no matter how they got here," said Mayor Adams Thursday at a press conference at PS 161 in The Bronx celebrating the first day of the school year.

"Doesn't matter that they arrived here through the nefarious actions of a despicable governor that treated them in a brutal way - those 1,400 students will be treated with the same love and nurturing of those students who grew up in this educational system," Adams added.
An estimated 8,000 mi-

grants have been bused into the city since the spring.

Schools Chancellor David Banks said he's recruiting bilingual teachers from the Dominican Republic.

"We have more resources that will continue to go to the schools," Banks said in a PIX-11 interview.

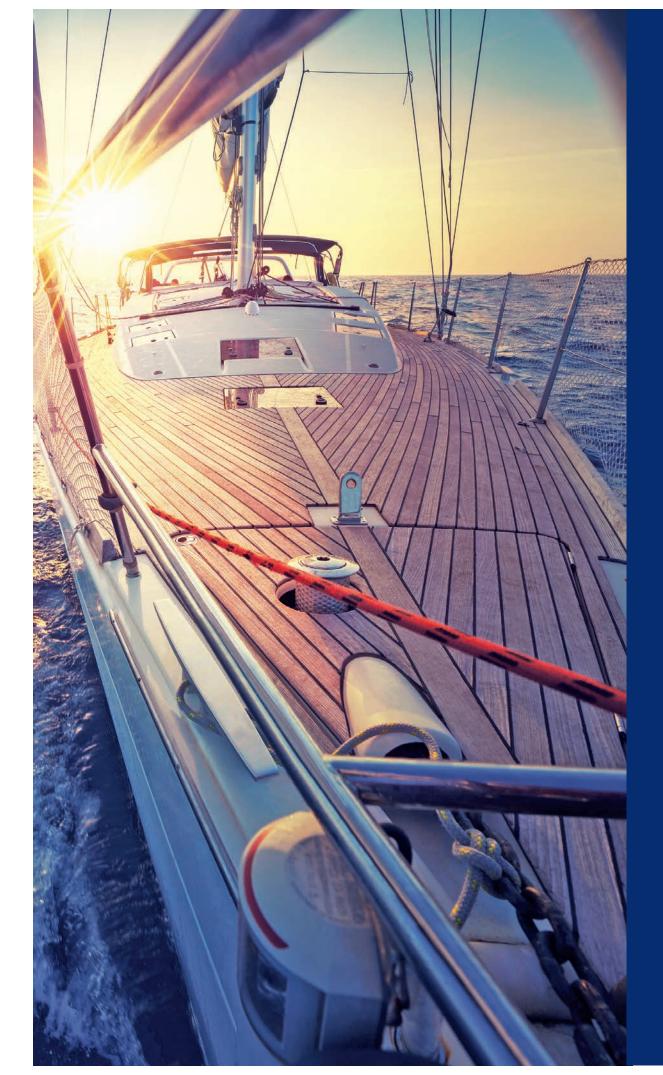
Cayla Bamberger and Ber nadette Hogan

G. Zero med \$\$ campaign

Ahead of the 21st anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, survivors are calling for more state support in letting New Yorkers know how they might qualify for government help on medical bills.

"It's outrageous that our government isn't doing enough to educate these people that they are entitled to free health care for the rest of their lives," attorney Michael Barasch, whose law practice was just blocks from Ground Zero, told The Post Thursday.

While around 80% of first responders accessed help, roughly 10% of New Yorkers who worked below Canal Street that day have done so, he said. Zach Williams



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Special agent duo

HOLLYWOOD was buzzing yesterday when **Richard Weitz** and Christian Muirhead were named co-chairmen of powerhouse firm WME. The popular pair succeeds veteran exec Lloyd **Braun**. Weitz — creator of the star-studded online "Quarantunes" charity concerts during the pandemic — is known for repping **Tina Fey**, **Ricky Ger**vais and Julianne Hough among many more. Muirhead was previously chief communications officer for WME's parent Endeavor - which is headed by superagent Ari Emanuel. WME clients were involved in a spate of summer blockbusters including the latest "Jurassic Strange," World" and "Minions" sequels.



Far from perfect

"PITCH Perfect" star **Anna Kendrick** (above) said she was recently in an abusive relationship. She told People she suffered "emotional abuse and psychological abuse," at the hands of a boyfriend, but declined to name him. "I loved and trusted this person more than I trusted myself," she said, to the point where "life gets really confusing really quickly." Her rep sent her the script for her latest film, "Alice, Darling," because it "spoke to" conversations they had shared about the ordeal.

TORI Spelling seems intent on getting money out of her relationship with her mom one way or another.

This weekend, the TV star met with mom **Candy** for the first time in five years. And wouldn't you just know it — there were cameras there!

"Her mom is livid," said a source close to the Spellings. "In typical Tori fashion, paparazzi were called."

It's not clear that Tori alerted the snapper squad, but the source said that headline-grabbing snaps are good for her brand — and therefore marketability.

Tori was notoriously skimped on the inherit-

ance of her father Aaron's \$500 million TV fortune.

"Mom still gives her barely anything. Tori and [husband **Dean McDermott**] live 'paycheck to paycheck' depending on the week," said the source, who added that while Candy does not necessarily approve of the way Tori and Dean live their lives, "she wanted to see her grandchildren."

As Page Six has reported, Tori and McDermott have suffered a string of financial difficulties dating back more than a decade.

In 2017, we reported that the IRS had drained their bank accounts to cover a huge lien, and that they were being sued by American Ex-

press for more than \$100,000 in unpaid credit card debts. As on the most recent reports in 2020, that case was still rumbling on.

In 2016, Tori dismissed reports of financial woes to People, saying rumors of money problems began after she wrote her 2013 book, "Spelling It Like It Is."

"It was one chapter. I thought I was being relatable, talking about how celebrities go through financial struggles, too." In the book she wrote, "It's no mystery why I have money problems. I grew up rich beyond anyone's dreams. Even when I try to embrace a simpler lifestyle, I can't seem to let go of my expensive tastes."

Spelling's manager didn't get back to us.

Brie
Larson, who
produced the docuseries "Growing Up"
for Disney+, rocks a
sparkly jumpsuit at
the show's premiere in LA.

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Scoot split a done deal

SCOOTER Braun and estranged wife Yael Cohen have reached an agreement in their divorce. Los Angeles Superior Court documents, obtained by Page Six, show the soon-to-be exes both want an uncontested divorce, meaning they have come to an agreement in all aspects including spousal sup-

port and child custody. Braun is asking the court to sign off on the agreement, reports The Post's **Francesca Bacardi**. Attorneys for the duo didn't return a request for comment. The music manager and the South African mining heiress have three kids. Page Six broke the news that Braun separated from Cohen after seven years of marriage — but we were told it was amicable. "They're friends," said an insider, noting that even after separating, they were still living together temporarily. About two weeks later, Braun filed for divorce after retaining celeb attorney **Laura Wasser**. There was a prenup in place, court records showed, and Cohen cited "irreconcilable differences" as the cause of the split.

Not leaving the cannoli

HOLY mole cannoli! **John** "Baby John" **De-Lutro** — the Cannoli King of Mulberry Street and owner of Little Italy's venerable Caffe Palermo — has opened a Mexican joint, also on Mulberry, Page Six is told. DeLutro said the neighborhood's becoming more diverse, and the real clams are in carne these days. The new spot, Gigi's — named after his wife — will have a new menu by chef **Vincent Tropepe** every month and a tequila-heavy cocktail list by barman **Jeremy Strawn**. It opened in time for Fashion Week and is hosting a starry opening celebration.



Very hot couture

CHRISTIAN Siriano is so hot right now. Well, he was Wednesday night, anyway. Sweaty sources said that the designer's New York Fashion Week show was held at Elizabeth Taylor's former townhouse - and while it had a ton of old-school cool, it didn't have much cool of the A/C variety. "Everyone from influencers to drag queens was melting and wiping sweat off their faces," we're told. Also driving up the temperature, no doubt, was the presence of a certain superstar. Janet Jackson (above) stopped by the show and attended a dinner to celebrate Siriano's new collection. The "Rhythm Nation" singer was sandwiched at the much-photographed dinner by not-exactly-press-shy Elle editor Nina Garcia and scenester Derek Blasberg, with one sniping, "Those two are gonna eat up all this publicity."

'Darling,' that's pure BS: Wilde

HARRY Styles headlines this week have gone from "spit" to "horses -- t.' After Styles' camp shot down online rumors that he bizarrely hocked a loogie on his co-star Chris Pine at the premiere of their film, "Don't Worry Darling," Styles' girlfriend (who's also the movie's director), **Olivia Wilde**, said it's hooey that she left her former fiancé for the pop star. "The complete horses--t idea that I left Jason [Sudeikis] for Harry is completely inaccurate," Wilde told Vanity Fair. "Our relationship was over long before I met Harry," she continued. "Like any relationship that ends, it doesn't end overnight." The actress alleged that she and the "Ted Lasso" star had a "very bumpy road" be-

fore officially dissolving their relationship "toward the beginning of the pandemic."

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They got engaged in 2013 and have two kids. Wilde added of her ex: "We could be better parents as friends who live in different houses." Wilde mused, "Sometimes ... you evolve out of relationships that were based on an earlier version of yourself." Sudei-

kis served her with custody papers while she was onstage at an event in April. Wilde said of being served in public, "Unfortunately, I wasn't that shocked."



Even if she's serving up sass, **Gigi Hadid** (left) enlists the help of model sis **Bella** to fête the launch of her knitwear label Guest in Residence at Le Chalet in Midtown.

His piece of her

BRITNEY Spears continues to bare it all while fighting with her family. The pop star posted pics of herself sunbathing topless on Instagram, with the caption, "Calm down" plus "Oh and here's my ass." She's been embroiled in a controversy involving her allegedly estranged teen son, Jayden James, 15, after he said in an interview he wanted to reunite with her when she

"[gets] better mentally." "Jayden, as you undermine my behavior just like my whole family always has with, 'Hope she gets better, I will pray for her' ... Pray for what?" she was previously heard saying in an online audio clip. She alleged Jayden's "hateful" remarks stemmed from fear that her financial obligations to him were ending. **Kevin Federline**, Spears' ex, said earlier this month that the couple's teen sons, Sean Preston, 16, and Jayden, haven't seen their mom in six months and that there's no sign of a rapprochement in sight so far. Spears reportedly lamented that Jayden stopped seeing her because of something she posted about him online.

Housekeeper's suit: LA big can't tune me out

IRVING Azoff — who's managed Christina Aguilera, the Eagles, Bon Jovi and more — is being sued by a former housekeeper for unpaid wages, discrimination and other claims. According to a lawsuit filed in Los Angeles Superior Court, Gloria Martinez is alleging that Azoff and his wife, Shelli, failed to pay her for overtime, missed meal periods and rest breaks during her more than 10-year run working for the wealthy couple. Martinez claims she was supposed to make

\$1,500 per week as her purported salary, but instead this rate "varied in amount" from week to week, per the papers. Martinez, who claims she worked for the Azoffs from 2008 to 2017 and again from August 2021 to March, also alleges in the lawsuit that she was discriminated against because of her physical disabilities and was "wrongfully terminated" because of accommodations she needed as a result of her medical issues. According to the suit, Martinez claims Shelli began to

complain about her needing time off after three doctor's visits. Irving, who's held executive roles at Ticketmaster, Live Nation and IMG, has an estimated net worth of \$400 million. His client list also includes acts such as Van Halen, Chelsea Handler and Fleetwood Mac. Reps for the high-powered businessman did not return Page Six's request for comment and an official response to the complaint has not yet been filed, The Post's Eileen Reslen re-

Lady Grace

"PARTY, party bitch!" singer and model **Grace** Jones commanded the Public Hotel — as one does on Wednesday night of New York Fashion Week. "Dance your asses off!" The genderbending icon was dressed in a giant feathered hat and shirt that gave the optical illusion of a nude body to celebrate her new candle collaboration with Boy Smells, a company that promotes "loving your identity."
"We're all oysters," Jones joked, making an oblique reference to, ahem, female genitalia. During the party, "RuPaul's Drag Race" winstage, performing an homage to Jones.

ner **Symone** danced onstage, performing an homage to Jones.

Former "Spring Awakening" co-stars **John Gallagher Jr.** (left) and **Jonathan Groff** stopped by the opening week of pal **Lea Michele**'s "Funny Girl" to offer their congratulations.

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Seeking ferry Sea change

By DAVID MEYER and NOLAN HICKS

Mayor Adams wants to cut losses at the city's popular but money-burning ferry system by telling prospective operators to pitch new ways to earn revenue including rentals, concessions and advertising.

City Hall on Wednesday published a "request for proposals" from potential ferry operators that specifically requires them to cook up a "revenue-generation plan" that will put money in city coffers to offset the massive municipal subsidy that currently funds the service.

City taxpayers subsidize ferry trips at as much as \$14.75 per ride, according to a recent audit by city Comptroller Brad Lander even as the ferry's wealthy clientele pay just \$2.75 to ride.

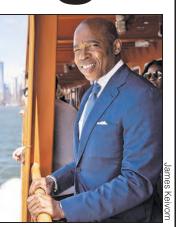
Adams in July pledged to raise the base fare to \$4 starting Sept. 12, while offering a 10-ticket package for \$27.50.

Hizzoner has insisted the ferry is not just for the affluent, echoing claims by predecessor Bill de Blasio, who expanded the service and instituted the \$2.75 fare to match the cost of an MTA bus or subway trip.

Despite becoming mayor on a pledge to end a class

STAYING AFLOAT:

Mayor Adams is looking for ways to save money on the city's expanded ferry system — which is popular with richer travelers yet is subsidized by taxpayers by as much as \$14.75 a ride.



divide he called a "tale of two cities," de Blasio aggressively promoted the ferry service, which has a ridership with a median annual income between \$100,000 and \$150,000, The Post revealed exclusively in 2020.

Ferry trips previously cost \$4 under Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

Daily NYC Ferry ridership was just 11,688 on weekdays and 12.984 on weekends in the first three months of 2022. Summer ridership is higher, and just returned to pre-COVID-19 levels, city officials said.

Potential new sources of revenue include film shoots and private events, according to the request for proposals, which does not require any cost-savings from ferry operations.

City officials and outside experts have warned that too-high fares could discourage ridership and reduce revenue.

"Operationally, it doesn't seem like much is going to change," said Sean Campion of the Citizens Budget Commission. "They want to operate a more financially sustainable ferry system. They've addressed one piece of that by increasing the fares - and now they're hoping to come up with new revenue ideas and a new privateoperating model that's more cost-effective."

Current ferry operator Hornblower plans to submit a proposal to continue operating the service, the company told nonprofit news outlet The City, which first reported on the RFP.

Chat spurred mass slay

Wednesday's killing spree in Memphis that left four people dead and three wounded began with the fatal shooting of a man with whom suspect Ezekiel Kelly had been chatting in front of mutual pals, police said.

The 19-year-old alleged gunman's rampage started around 1 a.m. Wednesday and ended at 9:30 p.m. that night, when Kelly was arrested after leading cops on a chase from Mississippi to Memphis after reportedly carjacking a vehicle and fatally shooting the

unidentified female driver. Kelly livestreamed a por-

tion of the spree on Facebook, according to cops.

Most of the victims have not yet been officially identified, but family members on social media identified 17-vear-old Corteria Wright as one of the fatalities, and Rodolfo Berger as one of the wounded.

The carnage began at a home on Lyndale Avenue, where police discovered the body of 24-year-old Dewayne Tunstall, Memphis TV station WREG reported.

Police said Kelly and Tunstall were hanging out with a group of mutual friends when Kelly pulled Tunstall aside to talk with him.

During the conversation, Kelly allegedly shot Tunstall in the head several times in front of five people, who were unharmed. Īt's unclear what prompted the shooting.

West Memphis Police and Mayor Marco McClendon announced a citywide Friday prayer vigil for the shooting victims.

Snejana Farberov

CITY IN CRISIS



HIS week's words of wisdom on violent crime came from an elderly man who had just been sliced through the skull with a machete. "I would suggest she needs to be examined by a doctor," 82-year-old Hubert Meulens calmly told The Post Wednesday from his hospital bed, speaking of the woman who had just attacked him on a lower Manhattan street. "She needs psychiatric help."

But this is New York City in the age of Gov. Hochul - who, despite having a fully intact skull, still thinks the answer is to wait for things to fix themselves, after she tweaked the state's bail "reform" laws five months ago.

Just like most of the random street and subway attackers who have plagued New Yorkers over two years, 20-year-old Deashe Calhoun did not suddenly "snap" when she allegedly slashed through Meulens' head.

This case reads like a parody of New York's broken criminal-justice and mental-health systems.

Calhoun may as well have walked around with a sign reading, "Warning: I'm about to attack someone with a machete."

Bragg's failures

Five weeks ago, on July 31, Calhoun allegedly threatened another hapless stranger on Fifth Avenue with a machete. For that, Manhattan DA Alvin Bragg charged her with . . . three misdemeanors. She went free with no bail.

Three weeks later, and not even two weeks before Wednesday's attack, Calhoun allegedly threatened another stranger in Manhattan, also with a machete. For this, Bragg slapped her with ... misdemeanors. Again, she went free.

By then, these menacing-witha-deadly-weapon episodes were already part of a long pattern. Since the weather got warm in March, Calhoun has variously allegedly threatened people or displayed knives everywhere from

GORY: Hubert Meulens gets aid after the alleged machete attack by Daeshe Calhoun (inset).

Washington Square Park to a Brooklyn subway.

Calhoun may not need to be in jail. She's at the age at which serious psychiatric illnesses present themselves — conditions made worse by drug use, which the city now encourages. But she does need to be somewhere.

Yet even after Hochul's reforms, the criminal-justice and socialservices systems are still multiple dysfunctional parts that work even less functionally together.

Why didn't Hochul include knives, rather than just guns, in tightening bail rules?

If you've been repeatedly arrested for threatening people with knives, you don't belong on the street. If Calhoun had been caught multiple times with loaded guns this year, she could have been sitting in jail instead of attacking Meulens.

And why didn't Hochul push harder for the Legislature to allow judges to consider a person's dangerousness when keeping someone at Rikers?

Blood's on Hochul

Someone who repeatedly menaces total strangers with deadly weapons is dangerous. Under a danger standard, a judge wouldn't have to go through a confusing thicket of what is and isn't "baileligible."

Again, jail isn't the goal for a mentally ill person — but it's a point of leverage. Bragg could have charged Calhoun with a serious felony, and then a judge could have ordered an inmate

psychiatric evaluation.

Later, if she refused to comply with voluntary treatment, the city could compel her, as part of downgrading charges.

Ignoring Calhoun's woes didn't help her. Now she faces serious felony charges.

It also didn't help the actual victim.

The elderly Meulens, an immigrant and retired accountant, wasn't braving the streets of New York City for fun.

He was coming home from work, as a building concierge, which he does to support his

He knew the city had grown more dangerous. As his son told



The Post, "I tell him every night, be careful on the trains and in the street. There are a lot of zombies ... who are very unpredictable and irrational. It's not being dealt with."

Though Mayor Adams is doing all he

can on guns — and it's working so far, with shootings down - all other crimes, including knife crimes, are up because the Legislature completely ignores them.

Maybe this latest horrific attack will cause Hochul to call the Legislature to an emergency session, just on crime.

Nicole Gelinas is a contributing editor to the Manhattan Institute's City Journal.

Machete menace finally locked up on 500G bail

It took nearly killing a hardworking, octogenarian Manhattan building concierge with a machete to get this ticking time bomb off the streets.

Deashe Calhoun, 20 free despite seven prior busts, several of which involved the deadly weapon or other knives — was ordered held on \$500,000 bail Thursday after being charged with slashing an 82-year-old Upper West Side doorman in an unprovoked attack.

She was arraigned in Manhattan Criminal Court for the bloody assault that left Hubert Meulens with a bloody skull fracture.

"Thank God," Meulens' son, Peter Marcel, told The Post. "That's appropriate. It doesn't make sense that she was on the streets in the first place. This decision sends the correct message."

Manhattan prosecutors had requested the high bail. Calhoun's lawver asked for time to "research" his client's case.

Bail was also set at \$1 for a separate menacing case Calhoun from against Aug. 25.

Calhoun was charged with attempted murder, assault and weapons possession in the alleged attack on Meulens, who remains hospitalized.

Cops said Meulens tried to stumble away after the brutal attack but Calhoun doused him with bear spray. According to a criminal complaint filed Thursday, Meulens was trying to find a cop when he was sprayed, "causing burning to his eyes and difficulty breathing."

Police said Thursday there was no record of prior emotional disturbance reports involving Calhoun, but she piled up more than a half-dozen prior arrests.

Calhoun is due back in court on Monday.

Jack Morphet, Tina Moore and Jorge Fitz-Gibbon



Kyiv forces strike back, make gains

By EVAN SIMKO-BEDNARSKI

Ukrainian forces surprised occupying Russians with a one-two punch Thursday, pushing deep into enemy territory to open a second front in Kyiv's counterattack.

Ukrainian authorities announced the liberation of 20 villages in the northeast, outside Kharkiv, as the military pushed for the occupied city of Izyum all while continuing a fierce fight for Kherson in the south.

Oleksiy Hromov, a deputy chief with the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, said Thursday his nation's forces had penetrated more than 30 miles beyond Russia's defensive line.

"Since the beginning of the week, the Armed Forces of Ukraine, in cooperation with units of the National Guard and other security forces, have been conducting active operations in certain directions," he said, according to Ukrainian outlet Ukrinform. "In the course of active operations in the Kharkiv direction, more than 20 settlements were liberated."

Videos circulating on social media Thursday claimed to show Ukrainian troops lowering a Russian flag in Nova Husarivka, halfway between the front line and the city of Izyum, a major Russian staging ground.

The video followed reports from Russian separatists Wednesday of enemy contact in Balakliya, just north of Nova Husarivka, and the downing of a Russian jet in

Really rapping the Russians

The Ukrainian Ministry of Defense has swag.

In the midst of a counterattack, the ministry boasted its latest tally of Russian kills with a lyric from rapper Pusha T: "I put numbers on the boards."

"Great taste in music for the win..." the rapper re-

Evan Simko-Bednarski

Volkhiv Yar, even further north.

Russian media did not confirm the loss of the villages — but did cite Chechen fighters loyal to Moscow who claimed to repel a Ukrainian attack on the other side of Izyum, near the Donbas cities of Soledar and Seversk.

Chechen leader Ramzan Kadvrov told Russian news agency TASS that his troops had routed a Ukrainian advance.

"The Ukrainian command sends detachments of servicemen to missions that are almost suicidal," Kadyrov said.

But the Ukrainian gains, if confirmed, represent a large victory for Kyiv after a months-long stalemate following the fall of Luhansk. If Ukrainian forces take Izyum, it would likely cut off a major supply line to a beleaguered Russian army in the Donbas.

UK 'mercenary' tortured?

The body of UK humanitarian worker Paul Urey, who died while being held captive by Russia-backed separatists, has signs of "possible unspeakable torture," according to a Ukrainian government official.

The breakaway Donetsk People's Republic announced in July that Urey, who was described as a "mercenary," had died of "illnesses and stress" more than three months after being captured in the city of Zaporizhzhia.

But Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba tweeted on Wednesday that Urey's body has been returned "with signs of possible unspeakable torture."

The minister vowed to ID those responsible.

Snejana Farberov



WELL WISHES: US Secretary of State Antony Blinken (right) visits with Marina, 6, in a Kyiv hospital.

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Secretary of State Antony Blinken made an unannounced visit to Kyiv on Thursday to unveil an additional \$2 billion in US aid to Ukraine and European allies threatened by Russia.

The top US diplomat met with senior Ukrainian officials in the capital to inform them that the Biden administration had notified Congress that it is seeking \$2 billion in long-term foreign military financing for Ukraine and 18 of its European neighbors and NATO members that are "most at risk of future Russian aggression."

If Congress approves the funds as expected, \$1 billion will go to Ukraine while the remainder will be distributed among Albania, Bosnia, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Greece, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia, the State Department said.

While in Kyiv, Blinken visited the US Embassy, then stopped by a children's hospital, where

he greeted young Ukrainians injured during Russian bombardments, including Maryna, a 6-year-old from the city of Kherson who lost a leg when a rocket struck her house.

In the hospital lobby, Blinken also met Patron, a Jack Russell terrier who has helped Ukraine's military find more than 200 mines laid by Russian forces. Blinken gave the dog a pat and treats, saying the canine was "world famous."

Weapons delivery, too

Earlier Thursday, Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin announced a \$675 million package of heavy weapons, ammunition and armored vehicles for Ukraine during a stop in Ramstein, Germany.

He said the equipment includes howitzers, artillery ammunition, Humvees, air-to-surface missiles, anti-tank systems, armored ambulances and small arms.

Austin added that the military assistance provided by the US

and its allies have enabled Ukraine to "fight back against Russia's aggression," but he went on to note that the war raging since February has entered a "key moment."

"Russian forces continue to cruelly bombard Ukrainian cities and civilians with missiles and artillery fire. But Ukrainian forces have begun their counteroffensive in the south of their country," the Pentagon chief said.

"And they are integrating the capabilities that we all have provided to help themselves to fight and reclaim their sovereign territory," the defense secretary added at a meeting of the Ukraine Defense Contract Group, which was attended by NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg and Ukraine's defense minister and officials from allied countries.

Germany and the Netherlands will provide training in de-mining to Ukrainian soldiers and de-mining equipment, the countries' defense ministers said.

Mark Moore, with Wires

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Ukraine aid vital to US interests

HE administration's approval of \$675 million in military aid to Ukraine is good news, as is President Biden's request to Congress for \$11.7 billion in further assistance. However divided America's politics might be at the moment, a decisive Ukrainian victory is in the interest of both parties — and it just might be within reach.

DALIBOR ROHAC

Missing this opportunity could be disastrous. Ukraine's current predicament is characterized by a tension between two conflicting imperatives: a military-tactical one and a political one.

On the battlefield, the counteroffensive in the south, aimed at retaking Kherson, is moving forward successfully. Similarly in the north, outside Kharkiv, Ukrainian forces have been slowly chipping away at the Russian forces.

Acting patiently

Not being in a position to retake its territory in a sweeping blitzkrieg, Ukrainian command is acting patiently. Rather than obsessing about territorial gains, it has gradually degraded Russian capabilities and supply lines. It is thus far from obvious that the coming cold weather will favor Russian defenses — the Russians are fighting in unfriendly territory, and their own logistics would have been disastrous even without Ukraine's concerted efforts at dis-

Much like bankruptcy, a Russian defeat is likely to come about very



slowly and then all at once. Give it a few more weeks, or months, and Russian positions are bound to become unsustainable, forcing a withdrawal — or perhaps a mass mobilization in Russia, which would carry dramatic political risks for Russian President Vladimir Putin's regime.

The problem, however, is that the Ukrainians do not necessarily have months to pursue this tactic, which relies on Western support of their military and economy, as well as on the continuing pressure of sanctions against Russia. As Putin is squeezing Europe's energy supply, it seems only a matter of time until political forces calling for appeasement start gaining momentum on the continent.

In Germany, a typical household is expected to pay more than \$500 extra in gas bills per year following the recent price hikes, prompting the government to adopt unprecedented relief measures, including price caps. In the United Kingdom, the new prime minister, Liz Truss, announced a cap on annual energy bills for a typical household at £2,500 — close to \$3,000.

Whether such measures will be effective in easing the pain is debatable. What is not debatable is that Europe is headed for a harsh winter. Nobody knows what a dose of real economic hardship and cold will do to the Europeans' resolve to confront Putin, but it is a good bet that it won't help, particularly in countries where Ukrainian suffering is seen as a distant and abstract concern.

In Germany, a parliamentarian from the Putin-friendly Alternative for Germany (AfD) party publicly wished for as cold a winter as possible, knowing well that the backlash would be good for AfD's political prospects. Even in the Czech Republic, a country with direct experience of Russian aggression and a government fully committed to supporting Ukraine, pro-Putin and anti-NATO groups managed to bring as many as 70,000 people to the streets of Prague to protest high energy prices over the weekend.

Misguided policies

Of course, the energy crisis is largely of Europeans' own making, resulting from years of misguided energy policies that have tied the continent to Russian sources.

Yet the blame game does not help the Ukrainian case. Rather, US leadership does.

Given the fragility of the transatlantic alliance's commitment to confronting Putin and the hard budgetary constraints that Western European nations are running into, it's wise to front-load as much US military assistance to Ukraine as possible so that the country's military can build on the current momentum and achieve significant victories — say, retake Kherson — before the looming fracture of Western allies becomes para-

With the midterm elections just weeks away, Biden's request for more money does put congressional Republicans in a bind. But opposing additional aid to Ukraine at a time the resources might well achieve Putin's total defeat in Ukraine — and possibly the end of his brutal regime in Russia — is bound to inflict far graver damage to the GOP's political standing than taking one for the (national) team. A responsible party, seeking a mandate to govern America, should not have any hesitation about the right choice.

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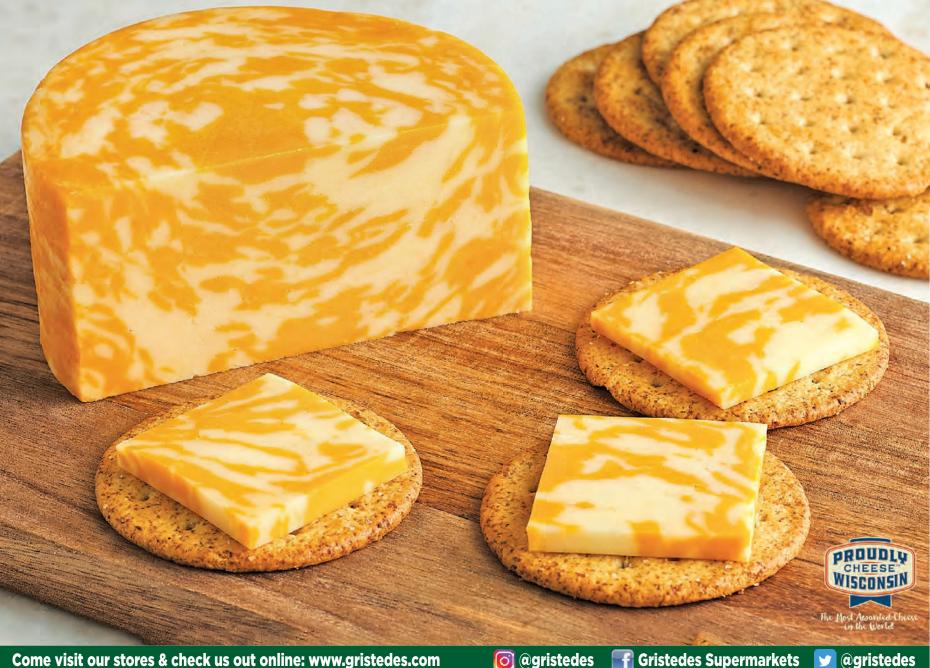
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Scientists from Rhode Island's Atlantic Shark Institute said they followed the 50-foot-long creature until the image suddenly scattered, and it was revealed to be a large school of fish.

That would have been a loo-dicrous way to die.

A woman in Bangkok, Thailand, accidentally locked herself in her bathroom for three days and survived off sink water.

The 54-year-old woman said the knob on the door broke, trapping her inside and nobody could hear her screams for help.

Assuming she would die, she penned a partial will on the wall with makeup. But her sister eventually sent police to check on her.

What a bunch of asses.

Smugglers were busted sneaking thousands of donkey penises into Hong Kong from Nigeria, where killing the work animals is forbidden, authorities said.

Sixteen bags of the donkey junk - considered a culinary delicacy in some sections of China — were falsely declared as cow parts before officials seized them at the Lagos airport.

The Swiss could catch real heat for warming their homes too much this winter, under a new law.

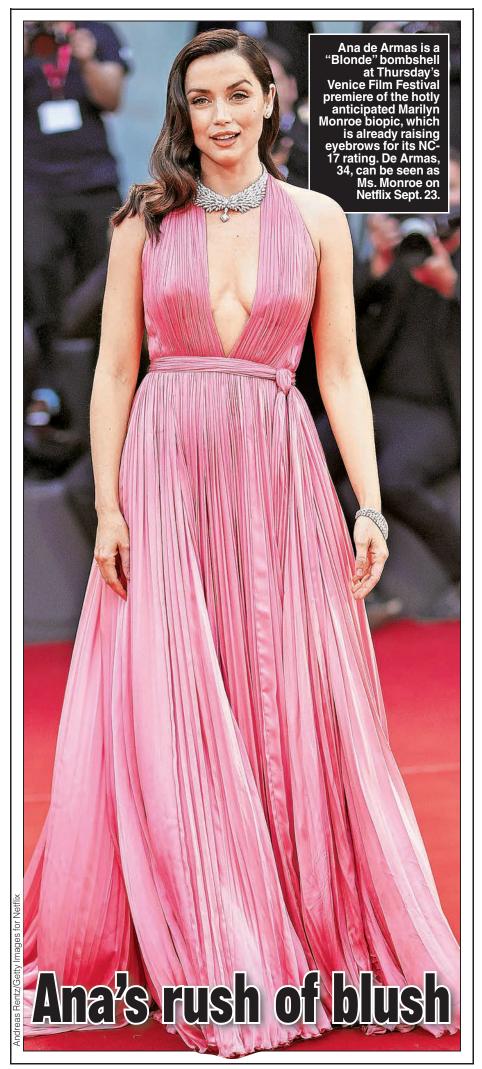
Residents of Switzerland who violate a rule forbidding gas-heated homes from exceeding 66.2 degrees could face fines and up to three years in jail.

The crackdown comes amid an energy crisis.

An Australian homeowner recoiled when he learned a giant ball python had been living inside his recliner chair.

Reptile wrangler Stuart McKenzie removed the 4-foot serpent from the furin Palmwoods, Oueensland, then released it in the wild.

Natalie O'Neill, Wires



KILLER! New YORK TOUS, Friday, S. GANG?

Then shot boy, 15

By STEVEN VAGO, JOE MARINO and JORGE FITZ-GIBBON

A 15-year-old Brooklyn high schooler was asked if he was in a gang before he was gunned down Wednesday, witnesses told police.

Unique Smith, a student at Brooklyn Laboratory Charter Schools, was sitting on a park bench near the campus around 1:40 p.m. when two masked men walked up and asked about his gang affiliation, law-enforcement sources told The Post.

Police said Smith got into a fight with his assailants and was shot once with a 9mm handgun before the gunman ran off.

Smith was later pronounced dead at NewYork/ Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital.

Two witnesses to the fatal shooting told cops the beef started when the bandits demanded to know if Smith was in a gang.

Police said there was no indication that Smith was a gang member.

The teen's neighbor Mary Beloti agreed.

"Definitely not," she said Thursday.

"I can't wrap my head around it, I really can't," said Beloti, 64. "He's a wonderful young man. Very respectable young man. He went to school, played his music, played his video games, never bothered anybody."

However, Beloti said locals did worry about Smith's new batch of pals.

"He was not in trouble," she said. "I think it was the company he kept. We were all very concerned about these boys he hung around.

"These new boys," she added. "Not his friends, but these new boys."

Motive unknown

Police said Smith was sitting on a bench with two girls in McLaughlin Park when he was approached by the two masked assailants.

Smith scuffled with the teens, and one pulled the gun and fired, striking Smith once in the abdomen, NYPD Chief of Detectives James Essig said at a press briefing.

Essig said the suspects ran off along Tillary Street.

Police have not determined a motive for the fatal attack, and are looking into whether Smith had a beef with anyone at his school.

The slain teen's grandfather, Kenneth Davis, told The Post Wednesday the family was "falling apart" after learning of his death.

Davis offered a \$5,000 reward for the capture of the shooter.

"He's a terrific young man," Davis said of his grandson.

Lit-up squad car T-boned

A driver in an SUV T-boned an NYPD squad car that was moving with its lights and sirens on through a Midtown intersection early Thursday, cops said.

The cruiser was hustling north on Eighth Avenue near West 37th Street, through a red light around 4 a.m., when it was hit by a Toyota, police said. Two officers and the Toyota driver were hospitalized with minor injuries. Amanda Woods

Vegas official held on journo slay rap

By MARJORIE HERNANDEZ

A Las Vegas public official accused of fatally stabbing investigative reporter Jeff German was denied bail Thursday after law enforcement officials said they found DNA evidence connecting him to the murder.

Clark County Public Administrator Robert Telles appeared in front of a judge who ruled the 45-year-old remain in Clark County Detention Center until his next hearing on Sept. 13, according to CBS affiliate 8NewsNow.

Telles was arrested Wednesday after a two-hour standoff with Las Vegas police, who found evidence that the public official allegedly stabbed German during a confrontation at the Las Vegas Review-Journal reporter's home.

The veteran reporter had written a series of investigative pie-

ces detailing misconduct, including Telles' alleged affair with his 45-year-old staffer.

During the bail hearing in Las Vegas Justice Court, Judge Elana Lee Graham said German, 69, had several defensive wounds, indicating he had fought for his life.

A prosecutor said Telles had lashed out "at the unraveling of his life" and German was stabbed seven times.

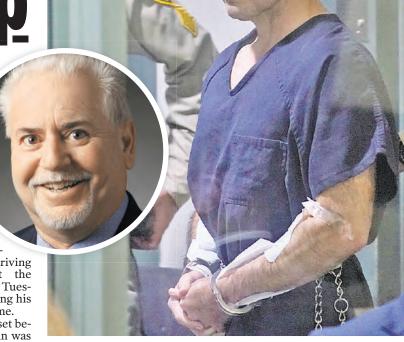
German died of "multiple sharp force injuries," the Clark County Office of the Coroner/ Medical Examiner said.

During a press conference held earlier on Thursday, Capt. Dori Koren, head of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Homicide and Sex Crimes Bureau, said investigators found DNA evidence on Telles and other incriminating evidence inside his home, including a straw hat and gray sneakers that were cut into several pieces — "in a manner that was likely an attempt to destroy evidence."

"Right now we can speculate on the motive beyond what was already discussed," Koren said. "We know that Telles was very upset about German's reporting."

Investigators also identified a red GMC Denali driving around German's street the morning of the murder. On Tuesday, Telles was seen cleaning his red SUV in front of his home.

Koren said Telles was upset because he found out German was working on more articles to expose other misdeeds.



LOCKED UP: Clark County Public Administrator Robert Telles is denied bail Thursday in the stabbing slay of journalist Jeff German (inset).

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BIPOLAR HELL: BOTH WORLDS



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Notorious P.U.N.K.'s on camera

The vandal who police believe defaced a Brooklyn mural honoring legendary rapper The Notorious B.I.G. is captured on

new surveillance video.

The man allegedly proached the mural at the corner of St. James Place and Fulton Street in Clinton Hill around midnight on Aug. 26, splashed black paint on the rapper's face and scrawled the words "East Coast" in red spray paint, cops said.

The NYPD clip, released late Wednesday, shows the alleged vandal strolling down a residential street, apparently carrying a white bag. The criminal remains at large.

The defacement took place near where the "Hypnotize" rhymer grew up.

Artist Vincent Ballentine created the art piece in 2019, and it now covers the outdoor wall of the Beauty World salon where Biggie spent much of his

youth, according to Complex.
"Done dirty," Ballentine captioned a picture of the destruction on Instagram on Aug. 26.

Days later, he posted a video of the restored mural, with the caption, "Resurrection of BIG."

"You gotta try harder kid," he said in the clip. "Come harder next time, playboy!"

The vandalism drew condemnation from Mayor Adams.

"Biggie is a hero to our community, and that's darn sure not how you spread love the Brooklyn way, as Biggie would say," Hizzoner said. Amanda Woods

Mich. court OKs abortion vote

Michigan's top court ruled on Thursday that voters should get to decide whether to amend their state constitution to protect abortion rights, handing a win to advocates who petitioned to put the measure on the November ballot.

Reproductive Freedom for All, an abortion-rights advocacy group, amassed more than 730,000 signatures in support of putting a state constitutional amendment affirming the right to abortion on the general election ballot.

The group appealed to the Democratic-leaning state Supreme Court last week after the state canvassing board deadlocked over whether to allow the issue to go before voters.

Reuters

POWER HUNGRY

Biz lunches are back and boozier than before



FEED THE RICH: Peak at Hudson Yards has adjusted its hours to better serve the corporate crowd that's been flocking there.

By SHIVANI VORA

Lunch is back on.

Summer is over, the pandemic is behind us and prominent New Yorkers are filling tables at upscale eateries for midday meals and deals. Restaurants around town report a significant jump in lunch covers, with titans of industry, finance and media dominating most of the tables.

"People have been starved for in-person interaction and power-lunching is a signal that things are finally normal again," Bob Fisch, an entrepreneur and self-described power luncher, told The Post. "It's business as usual."

Fisch, who founded the fashion company rue21 and is on the board at the Fashion Institute of Technology, especially loves having the American wagyu burger and brainstorming at Peak in Hudson Yards. Last year, it was only open on weekends for lunch, but it's been gradually adding weekday lunches to meet demand.

Back to work & restaurants

"We were getting requests from people with offices in Hudson Yards for reservations," said general manager Chris Nelson. "Also, we went from getting primarily tourists to corporate diners. The shift is noticeable."

At the new Rockefeller Center location of Mediterranean power broker spot Avra, things are buzzing at lunch.

"We have a line out the door at 11:45 and stay busy all the way through 3 p.m.," said general manager Orlando Santana, noting that they're averaging several hundred customers for lunch each weekday. "The crowd is mostly from the companies in our building or near us like AIG, Barclays bank and CNBC

This resurgence of a staple dining-out pastime coincides with employees returning to



less formal and decidedly more social. And in

Ahmass Fakahany, the founder and CEO of the Altamarea Group, the hospitality company that owns the tony seafood temple Marea, agreed. "There's less of a transactional focus and more of a relationship focus," he said.

Michael Bapis, a managing director for an investment firm, said midday meals are a must for him and his colleagues.

"In our office, we have a saying that if you're not out lunching, you may as well not be working," said Bapis, a regular at Avra's Midtown and Madison Avenue locations. "Power lunches — bring them on."

together, power-lunching today isn't a copycat **More fun, less formality** of its pre-COVID version. Meals are longer,

power lunch 2.0, a glass of wine is the norm not an indulgence.

tives may be back to breaking bread

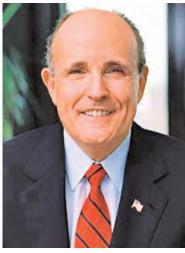
"I didn't have work lunches for so long, and now that I am, they're not ordinary the way that they used to be," said Kathleen McGivney, leader of the watch-collecting community RedBar Group. She's been enjoying having the occasional midday tipple when she dines at the high-end Midtown Mexican restaurant Empellón. "I never drank at lunch before COVID, but ordering a mezcal margarita or glass of wine to enjoy with my tacos has become a must."

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POSTOPINION

American Love WEEK IN WHOPPERS

Why we ex-colonials grooved on the queen

O what can explain the depth of feeling, the palpable sense of loss and regret, in this superpower ex-British colony across the Atlantic at the death of Queen Elizabeth II?

Familiarity has something to do with it. Like most Britons, the great majority of Americans have never known any other British monarch; Elizabeth had met on equal footing with every president since Harry Truman.

Fame, and its cousin celebrity, is a factor as well: Her birth was news during the Coolidge administration; and when, in the middle of the Great Depression, her uncle King Edward VIII abdicated to marry an American, 10-year-old Princess Elizabeth suddenly found herself heir to the throne of the British Empire.

Mention "the British Empire" today and historical arguments ensue. Mention "the queen" and everybody over here knows who you mean.

To be sure, Elizabeth's many qualities as sovereign are well known — her respect for Britain's unwritten constitution, her grandeur and grace, her subtle diplomacy, her stewardship of

monarchy itself in the modern age — and all will be scrutinized and analyzed in the days ahead. In an era of exceptionally rancorous public dis-

course, Elizabeth's private politics (if she had any) were largely a mystery. In Britain, as well as in America, her personal popularity transcended social class as well as partisanship. The Labour Prime Minister Harold Wilson always said that the most rewarding and enjoyable times he spent as premier were his weekly audiences with the queen.

She had seen it all and heard it all — and gained some wisdom along the way — as long as anyone could remember.

In that sense, of course, Elizabeth's esteem, and the curiously enduring maternal affection in which she's held, may be easily understood. She has been a part of the fabric of Anglo-American culture for so long and played her equivocal role with such skill that her death reminds us of loss and the passage of an age with painful emphasis.

As a very young woman, then-Princess Elizabeth famously consecrated her life to the service of Britain, its people and its



All smiles: Queen Elizabeth II in DC with President Eisenhower in 1957.

commonwealth, and she never faltered nor put a foot wrong in three-quarters of a century. Sacrifice, selflessness and strict attention to duty are always regarded as endangered virtues, especially among our governors.

Still, this doesn't quite explain her status in America. And therein lies

Whenever the queen, or some member of the roval family, would visit these shores, exasperated citizens would reliably remind us that we once fought a war of independence from Great Britain and from monarchy itself. Which, of course, is perfectly and thankfully true. Yet it's equally true that our declaration of independence from England was written in England's language, that our own Constitution derives from the cumulative laws and customs of what used to be called the mother country -

and not least, in recent times,

that we have fought side by side

with the ex-colonial power in

defense of those rights and

freedoms we both cherish. The essential difference, however, is that in rejecting British rule, our republican system of checks and balances also jettisoned the principle of constitutional monarchy, which, while scarcely an error and consistent with our particular brand of selfgovernment, has bequeathed to us a system that, while gloriously democratic, has not always proved so checked and balanced in the $2\frac{1}{2}$ centuries since 1776.

While Britain's monarch serves as head of state but not of government — the titular personification of the nation — our charter invests dual authority in a party politician, the president. Prime ministers come and go but the British sovereign endures while American presidents, in the fullness of time, have acquired a kind of royal status. To say the least, some presidents have proved more worthy of this exalted condition than others, and the evolution of our system has not always been so perfectly balanced and calibrated.

Of course, no system of government is perfect and never will be, and modern Britain has suffered from deficient monarchs (see the aforementioned Edward VIII) as readily as we have benefited from great presidents. Still, when the system that Elizabeth II personified works, it works wonderfully well, and might prompt us to mix our affection and respect for the late queen with a sense that love of country, in America and Britain, might also involve a certain humility, perspective — and at this moment, reflection and sadness, as well as gratitude.

Philip Terzian, former literary editor of The Weekly Standard, is the author of "Architects of Power: Roosevelt, Eisenhower, and the American Century."

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE



Joe Biden @JoeBiden

Donald Trump and MAGA Republicans are a threat to the very soul of this country.

8:11 PM . Sep 1, 2022

I don't consider anv Trump **VS.** supporter a threat to the country.

— President Biden, Sept. 2

We say: Credit the president with at least knowing how to use both sides of his mouth to talk out of.

We say: Telling baldfaced lies has been standard operating procedure for both Hillary and Bill Clinton going all the way back to Whitewater and the "I



Hillary Clinton @HillaryClinton

The fact is that I had zero emails that were classified.

10:54 AM . Sep 6, 2022

did not have sex with that woman"/Monica Lewinsky scandal. The truth? Hillary maintained tens of thousands of emails on her private server, in violation of federal rules. And, as Jonathan Turley notes in The Post, the Justice Department inspector general found "81 email chains containing approximately 193 individual emails" that were "classified from the CON-FIDENTIAL to TOP SECRET levels." Not to mention the tens of thousands she had destroyed, also in violation of rules.

THIS SLUR

The pool of respectable conservatives is shallow.

— New York Times columnist **Charles Blow, Monday**

We say: Or maybe . . . Blow is shallow. In his Times column, the scribe actually faults Biden for trying to limit "semi-fascists" and those he says embrace "extreme ideology" to just "MAGA Republicans"; Blow thinks *all* Republicans who voted for Donald Trump "deserve to be called out." That's right: 74 million Americans many of whom probably reject Biden and his supporters (like Blow) for their own "extreme ideology."

THIS CLAIM



We know that . . . masking works (against COVID).

— White House COVID czar Ashish Jha, Wednesday

We say: Actually, the scientific evidence that masking on NYC subways — which was what Jha was commenting on — does any good at all against COVID is at best debatable. Numerous studies have failed to show any benefit from community masking, and even the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention consider cloth or surgical masks the

least effective against the bug. No wonder so many people distrust government advice on the coronavirus. — Compiled by The Post Editorial Board

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Queen Elizabeth, 1926-2022

ith the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, the world loses not just the most constant star in the constellation of global leaders, but an epitome of virtues that now seem extinct: restraint (the classic stiff upper lip) and devotion to

She was served by 15 prime ministers (from Winston Churchill, born in 1874, to Liz Truss, born in 1975) in a reign that spanned 14 US presidents and saw the end of the British Empire, the West's victory in the Cold War, the birth of the European Union — and Brexit from the EU.

In public, through crises global, national and, yes, familial, she was a rock as indomitable as Gibraltar — bending only as needed to fend off critics of the monarchy (with whom, as small-r republicans, we sympathize in the abstract), whether heeding John Grigg's 1957 advice to modernize some traditions or Tony Blair's 1997 pleas to show emotion after Princess Diana's death.

As "The Queen" and "The Crown" depict, the royals lead a luxe life, but at a cost: not just showing up for endless ceremonies, hemmed in by the demands of court tradition, but also maintaining perfect grace in a ruthlessly neutral public role that would challenge a Zen master.

And for all the travails of other Windsors, her own life never held a breath of scandal. For seven decades, she showed up, restricting her duties only near the end, as age (and COVID) required.

One last time: God save the queen; RIP.

The Cruelty of Justice 'Reform'

roactive law enforcement, the kind New York enjoyed for decades, prevents crime. The law-enforcement system we have now ... not so much: Witness the tale of Deashe Calhoun.

Calhoun, 20, allegedly slashed Herbert Meulens, 82, with a machete the other day. He suffered "just" a fractured skull and 11 stitches - but, as he said from his hospital, "Even with just one blow, I could have passed away."

Now she's being held on \$500,000 bail. Yet she'd been arrested seven times since March for carrying first knives and then the machete, with some incidents reportedly involving threats to harm others. But she kept getting released — 'til blood finally flowed.

Part of it is the no-bail law: The Brooklyn DA's Office says that's why she got sprung after two arrests, and the Manhattan DA's Office surely faced the same barrier.

But add in New York's so dysfunctional approach to the dangerously mentally ill: A

woman wandering the streets menacing people with a machete likely faced a psych evaluation — but the system plainly failed to get her any treatment, let alone require it.

And an innocent man (black, incidentally, and still hard-working at 82) pays the price.

The "reformers" who've given us these lunatic law-enforcement and mental-health systems claim to speak for the powerless.

But proactive policing brought a huge decrease in New York's prison and jail populations, because preventing crime means people don't become criminals and so never need locking up. Whereas the soaring crime rates that "reform" has brought already have the Rikers population growing, and will likely pack the prisons soon enough.

A mental-health system that focused on helping the grievously ill, not processing them, would prove far more humane as well.

It's far more cruel to keep on neglecting public safety in the name of ideology.

Budget Gaps Ahead: Cut Spending Now

s both the city and state comptrollers warn that possible city budget shortfalls total a jaw-dropping \$12 billion within the next four years, there's one sure way to make the problem even worse: look to close the gap by raising taxes.

As fiscal expert E.J. McMahon notes, half of the ginormous "unaccounted-for spending" is for pension costs driven up by investment losses. Other big "risks": 1) higher-than-budgeted-for labor contracts and 2) a recession that'll wipe out billions in tax revenue.

The \$8 billion Mayor Adams has squirreled in "rainy-day" reserves may not be enough: McMahon says the coming gaps could be the largest since just after 9/11.

And when gaps hit the fan, nothing is harder in tax-and-spend New York than trimming outlays. Gotham's go-to fix: tax hikes, as Mayor Mike Bloomberg imposed after the terror attack.

Unless Adams wants to set the city on a rapid downward spiral, he better resist the pressure to squeeze city taxpayers again. They're already at their limits.

Last year, Albany slapped New Yorkers with a \$4 billion tax hike, pushing the top state-tax rate to 10.9%. New York City adds another 3.88%, bringing the combined rate to 14.78%, the nation's highest. Businesses got hit with an 11.5% tax hike.

All that fueled the pandemic rush for the exits; 300,000 city residents fled, with many citing high taxes as a key reason.

Meanwhile, the city economy (unlike most of America) has yet to return to pre-pandemic levels. With crime up, and workers still reluctant to return to their offices, tax hikes could be the nail in the coffin.

So City Hall needs to find spending to cut. With the billions it got in federal COVID aid, it'll chalk up \$105 billion in expenses this vear, more than \$12,000 for every man, woman and child. Enough is enough.

Alas, the City Council is looking to spend even more this year, upping education funds by nearly half a billion though enrollment has dropped. If Adams can't rein it in and ID things to cut now, New York may be looking at some seriously grim times ahead

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Kim's Call of Booty: Disrespecting the Flag

THE ISSUE: Piers Morgan's column on

Kardashian's revealing flag-themed photo shoot.

•It's certainly a sad state of affairs when Piers Morgan has to slap us back into reality ("American dream' girl," Sept. 7).

While Morgan clearly states he is not an American, we certainly need more truth and reality, as he clearly stated.

As we continue to keep making stupid people famous, the younger generations see this as a way to fame and fortune.

If you look at sites like TikTok, all you see is soft porn with a smattering of cutey pie" videos. Young adults need role models — not strippers — as examples to look up to.

Between the quiet-quitting episodes and being an "influencer," kids see the easy way to achieve instead of a great work ethic followed by success. It's time to change the narra-Doc Ludemann

Bridgeport, Conn.

 As Morgan reiterates, this is the ultimate disrespect to our flag.

So why would The Post

Kim Kardashian

play into this cry for attention from someone whose only talent is her cosmetically enhanced derrière?

You are adding to the plethora of pornography that is readily available to our youth.

Donna DeSiena Staten Island

•I don't think the twopage spread on Kim Kardashian did very much to impress readers of The Post. Do I really need to look at that super-sized moonscape while I'm having breakfast?

The US Flag Code, which many Americans don't even know exists, doesn't address using the flag as a backdrop. But anyone posing like that with Old Glory as a backdrop is disgracing the flag.

What the Flag Code does address is using the flag as an article of clothing: A hat, a shirt, or Kim's little peek-a-boo patch with the stars and stripes is definitely disgracing our flag. But I doubt that she cares.

Dick Mills, Bardonia

•Well, thank you, Piers Morgan. It's about time someone called out the vacuous nonsense that the media are selling and the self-destructive public is slurping up.

B. Lorge, Dix Hills

The Path to Yeshiva Success

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•I am in total agreement with Michael Steinhardt ("Lost Generation," Post-Opinion, Sept. 6).

Two of my grandparents came as immigrants to New York in the 1890s. Max Jacobs immigrated by himself at age 13 with education, yet through grit and determination he founded the Detecto Scale Company.

My other grandfather, Benjamin Koenigsberg, became an attorney in 1910 and then president of major Jewish organizations, such as the Orthodox Union and the Young Israel movement.

Yet both believed that in the early 20th century, young Jewish Americans needed a comprehensive Orthodox Jewish education as well as a comparable secular education in all subjects in order to survive and compete with the population at large.

Martin Jacobs Woodmere

THE ISSUE: Michael Steinhardt's column on the

importance of education standards in yeshivas.

•Steinhardt is correct. The state of New York is entitled to require all schools operating in its borders to provide basic education in English, math and science. That puts no restrictions on the specialized studies that the various private or religious schools may offer.

The goal is to prepare

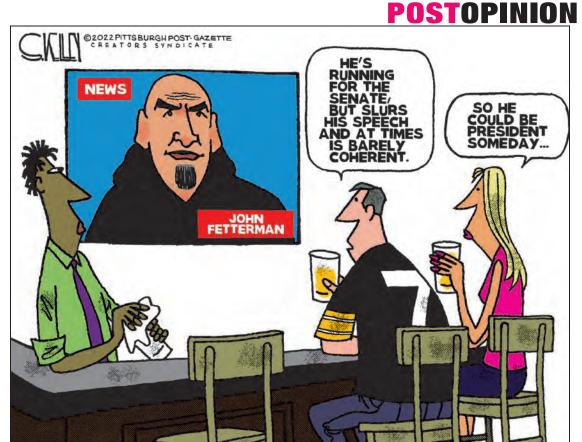
students to become educated citizens, able to make informed choices at the ballot box and contribute to the improvement of society. It's definitely not an attempt to stop Jewish schools from teaching Judaism.

The fervently Orthodox communities, which encourage men to father large families but deny boys the secular education that would enable them to support those families, are doing a great disservice to their students and to society.

Toby F. Block Atlanta, Ga.

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HOW HOSPITALS |

IFE, death, newborns entering the world, a CEO raking in millions, politicians calling for an investigation: all part of the drama swirling around Maimonides Medical Center, which lost a staggering \$145 million last year.

It's Brooklyn's largest hospital, and newly released financials show it barely has the cash to make it through another year.

The Maimonides calamity could be seen as a soap opera, if so many patients weren't affected. Worse, the same basic story is being repeated at hospitals everywhere that treat the poor.

Safety-net hospitals are bleeding red ink because Medicaid, the federal health-insurance program, pays hospitals only 67 cents for every dollar of care.

Most shift the 33% in unmet costs to the privately insured patient down the hall. But at safetynet hospitals like Maimonides, fewer than one in five patients has commercial insurance. These hospitals have nowhere to shift their unmet costs, so lose money year after year. Atlanta Medical Center is closing in November.

The problem's more severe in New York state because politicians have lavishly expanded Medicaid eligibility, buying votes and boasting they're solving the problem of the uninsured. More than one out of every four New Yorkers, not just the indigent, is on Medicaid.

In July, a group called "Save Maimonides" began organizing community meetings and recruiting politicians to push for investigations and a new board and CEO.

Mendy Reiner, the group's cochair, claims the hospital is "rife with serious problems."

The hospital's defenders claim it's a "smear campaign," possibly by nursing-home magnate Eliezer Scheiner, who some allege would like to control the hospital board.

It's been reported that two people associated with Scheiner's company, TL Management LLC, contributed \$8,000 to New York state Sen. Kevin Parker. Parker subsequently sent a letter to the state Health Department demanding an investigation of Maimonides.

Intrigue aside, the bigger questions are: Does this hospital deliver



good care? Who's to blame for its losses? Should it be kept open?

CEO Kenneth Gibbs earned a \$1.8 million salary in 2019 and saw his compensation double to \$3.2 million in 2020 thanks to a onetime vesting of his retirement plan.

Multimillion-dollar salaries are common for hospital execs in New York. Still, it looks vulgar. Maimonides depends almost entirely on taxpayer dollars, and few taxpayers pull in million-dollar salaries.

What do patients say? Maimonides gets one star out of five for patient satisfaction on Medicare's grading system. The hospital earns two stars overall, based on infection rates, survival rates and outcomes. It's rated highly for heart care.

Two stars is nothing to brag about, but Brooklyn residents could do worse. Coney Island Hospital, SUNY Downstate, Brooklyn's New York Community Hospital and Brooklyn Hospital Čenter earn only one star.

Should these low performers be closed? Maimonides' occupancy rate varies between 81% and 86%, meaning it could handle more patients if lower-performing hospitals in the area were shuttered, saving taxpayers money.

But closing hospitals, like closing fire stations, ignites community opposition. Hospitals provide jobs. In New York, hospitals employ more people than Wall Street.

Pre-COVID, the state used a bipartisan commission to close or shrink financially troubled hospitals. so politicians could evade blame. But during COVID, hospitals ran out of beds. Now closing them is a taboo topic, even in areas where there are too many beds.

What can be done to save Maimonides? Politicians are calling for investigations. But the answer is already clear: slash the state's inflated Medicaid enrollment, reserving the program for the truly needy, and use the savings to pay safety-net hospitals the actual cost of the care they provide. No enterprise can stay afloat receiving 67 cents on the dollar. New York has started providing supplemental funding but not enough.

Finally, cut Gibbs' salary or hand him walking papers. Why should Gibbs be on the gravy train when the hospital is losing tens of millions of our taxpayer dollars a year?

Dems' Main Message: Don't Think About Joe

EDDY Roosevelt's daughter Alice once said that he was "the bride at every wedding, the corpse at every funeral." No matter what was going on, he always wound up the center of attention.

The same could be said for former President Donald Trump. No matter what's going on, he somehow seems to wind up driving the conversation. (Several years ago, when I wrote a column for another newspaper having nothing to do with Trump — I was writing about the theory, popular in Silicon Valley, that our universe is just a computer simulation — the editors added a reference to Trump in the sub-headline. For traffic, I guess!)

And today's news almost seems calculated to bring Trump to the forefront. You have the FBI's questionable raid on Mar-a-Lago, where the same agency that covered up Hunter Biden's laptop sent G-men to run their fingers

through Melania's underwear. You have President Biden's positively Mephistophelean red-lit speech in Philly following his declaration his opponents are "semi-fascists." You have Democratic officeholders in New York and Georgia trying to prosecute Trump. All generating steady Trump-related headlines.

Well, if it seems calculated to bring Trump to the forefront, it's because it is calculated to bring Trump to the forefront. The truth is, the Biden people would rather this election be a referendum on Trump than a referendum on Biden.

That's because if it's a referendum on Biden, Democrats will lose, hands-down.

And the press knows this, which is why it's cooperating.

If the Democrats have to run on Biden's record, they're doomed. Biden fumbled COVID and continues to send mixed messages with random mask-on, mask-off appearances. Now the administration has



porate jet for private trips." As The Post reported, 80% of new IRS revenue will come from small businesses earning less than \$200,000 a year.

Then there's Biden's student-loan forgiveness, which even The Atlantic calls a "legal mess," but which also takes tax money from workingclass people who never went to college to pay for the student loans of upper-class people who did. A Post column noted 70% of the debt forgiven will belong to people in the top 60% of the income distribution.

And under Biden's open-door policy, millions of illegal migrants have been waved into the country.

The Ukraine war slogs on, after Biden essentially invited Russian President Vladimir Putin to invade

I If the Democrats have to run on Biden's record, they're doomed.

fumbled monkeypox, with shortages and misapplications of vaccines.

Those public-health debacles pale in comparison to the Biden economic failures, though. His team's wild spending spree has promoted inflation, made worse by its regulatory explosion that's reduced supplies of food, energy and fertilizer.

The press, duly carrying water, pretends things are getting better: Inflation is up, but it's slowing! Gas prices are still much higher than in the past several years, but they've fallen a bit off their peak! Food's still expensive, but you probably needed to lose weight anyway, you fatty! (Plus, you should be eating bugs to help the climate.) And the media have just stopped talking about the baby-formula shortage — if they don't mention it, it doesn't exist!

Small businesses, hammered by pointless COVID lockdowns, are suffering under inflation and new regulations — and Biden is hiring 87,000 new IRS agents to audit them.

As Rep. Thomas Massie notes, the IRS recruiting video is about "taking down a landscape business owner who failed to properly report how he paid for his vehicles," not "taking down a billionaire who uses the corin January. (His handlers tried to walk it back, but the damage was done.) And, of course, Biden's unrelenting war on domestic energy production has magnified the impact of oil and gas shortages resulting from Putin's war and the sanctions.

Plus, there's Biden's disastrous skedaddle from Afghanistan, undoubtedly the most humiliating and unnecessary military defeat in US history — a defeat that's depressing military recruitment as potential recruits don't trust their potential commanders to do their jobs. This alone should cost the Democrats a crushing defeat in the midterms.

And it will, if people are talking about that and about the other failures I've listed.

Which is why Democrats and the press — but I repeat myself — want us to talk about Trump instead.

They should face it: Biden is a failed president. He's incompetent, he's corrupt, and worst of all he's mean, constantly showing hatred for his fellow Americans merely because they oppose him politically. America is already much worse off because of him.

Talk about that between now and

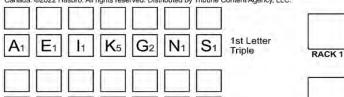
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The Law of Total Tricks says that the number of trumps both sides have in their best suit equals the number of tricks available. So in today's deal, 19 tricks should be won at heart and spade contracts.

Say South judges correctly that there are 19 total trumps. Then he might double West's four spades. If South can make five hearts, four spades doubled will go down two -- so says the Law -and North-South will be plus 300, a decent result.

In real life, South bid five hearts. He took the ace of spades, led a diamond to dummy, lost a trump finesse, won West's club shift and drew trumps. Eventually, he lost a diamond and a club to East for down one. Since four spades would have been down one, was the Law on target?

South makes five hearts. After he takes the ace of clubs, he ruffs a spade, leads a trump to dummy, ruffs a spade and exits with a club. The defender who wins is end-played.

The Law often fails at high levels. And deals are played at the table, not in theory

Word Force

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RACK 4

From the word or phrase above, form AT LEAST 19 five-letter words, without using more than one form of the same word. For example, drink or drank (not

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Each number must appear once in each horizontal row, as well as in each vertical column and in each of the 3-by-3 grids. Impossible? Not once you get the hang of it. Tips and in depth strategies at

www.SudokuWiki.org

For more Su Doku puzzles see tomorrow's **New York Post**

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BUSINESS

Wild swing

Stocks bounced back from a midday stumble and closed higher, keeping the major indexes on track for their first weekly gain in four weeks. The Dow gained 0.6%, swinging more than 460 points from peak to trough.

Crypto found

The feds have seized more than \$30 million cryptocurrency plundered from an online game this year by North Korean hacking group Lazarus, one of the largest successes clawing back digital revenue from Pyongyang, investigators said.

Merry Macy's

Macy's expects another early start to holiday season shopping this year, a contrast to a prediction from Best Buy that highlights the uncertainty among retailers in forecasting inflation-driven shopping behavior.

What a relief!

Citigroup is entitled to recoup about \$500 million of its own money that it accidentally wired Revlon lenders three years before a loan was due, a US appeals court said.

Big vax mart

The annual US COV-ID-19 vaccine market going forward could range from \$5 billion to \$13 billion depending on the shot price, a Moderna executive said.

Sources: Reuters, Dow Jones, AP



'I DRINK TOO MUCH'

... says Chris Cuo, but 'I'm not an alcoholic'

Ex-CNN newsman Chris Cuomo, on his podcast

before he starts as anchor of a show on little-watched NewsNation, revealed he has imbibed to excess. He said "it's something . . .

I'm dealing with because my mental health has become an increasing aspect of my self-concern about how I can be my best."

By THOMAS BARRABI

Disgraced ex-CNN anchor Chris Cuomo revealed that he drinks "too much" but insisted he's not "an alcoholic" during a frank discussion about mental health on an episode of his podcast Thursday.

Cuomo, who starts a new gig at NewsNation on Oct. 3 following his firing last year by CNN, admitted he often turns to alcohol as a coping mechanism.

"Too often, I think, we avoid dealing with things. So here's a little bit of my story. I take my body and my diet can suck. I drink too much," the 52-year-old Cuomo said. "I'm thinking about that, mostly in terms of why I drink too much. I'm probably what people in the sobriety community would call a 'normie' but a hard drinker."

'Emotions'

"I drink often and I definitely think it's not always for the right reason," Cuomo continued. "I think it's to settle my mind. I think it's to deal with emotions."

"I'm not saying I'm an al-coholic," Cuomo added. "I don't believe in abusing those terms, but it's something I've had to think about, and it's something that I am thinking about dealing with because my mental health has become an increasing aspect of my self-concern about how I can be my best.

'Dealing with things'

"I really believe that, you know, where your head is, is

The anchor said he discussed his personal experience because he wanted to "de-stigmatize" the topic.

Cuomo was canned following revelations that he had secretly assisted in crafting the p.r. response for his brother, disgraced ex-New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, as Andrew faced multiple allegations of sexual misconduct.

The anchor was CNN's top-rated prime-time host prior to his firing. He is currently embroiled in a heated legal battle with the cable network and has demanded \$125 million in damages — alleging his former company "has a long-established pattern and practice of selectively enforcing its policies based on cynical calculations of public perception."

New anchor gig

CNN declined to comment after the lawsuit was filed.

Cuomo, who is married with three kids, revealed his plan to join NewsNation during an appearance on the upstart network in July. He will anchor the 8 p.m. time slot.

"I'm going to come to NewsNation, and I want to build something special here," Cuomo said at the time.

As The Post reported last month, Cuomo's arrival has ruffled many feathers at NewsNation — with angry staffers lamenting the fact that they are being asked to promote his new show.

Meanwhile, Cuomo's podcast, "The Chris Cuomo Project," has plummeted in the rankings since its debut in July.

Mediaite was first to report on Cuomo's remarks.

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I drink often and I definitely think it's not always for the right reason. - Chris Cuomo and it's something that I'm where your life goes."

Fed aims to mitigate pain in inflation fight

The Federal Reserve is "strongly committed" to fighting inflation and remains hopeful that can be done without the "very high social costs" involved in prior campaigns to control surging prices, Fed Chair Jerome Powell said Thursday, in remarks echoed by other central bankers as they mull another potentially out-

sized interest rate increase.

Powell, in a 40-minute webcast interview with Cato Institute president Peter Goettler, was not asked about the central bank's policy meeting later this month, when it is expected to raise its target interest rate by either half or threequarters of a percentage point, and the Fed chief did

not volunteer any information on his preference.

However, investors in contracts tied to the Fed's policy rate currently anticipate the larger 75-basispoint increase, an expectation that rose through the day after the European Central Bank hiked its policy rate by three-quarters of a percentage point, a decline

in US weekly jobless claims pointed to continuing strength in the labor market, and one usually dovish Fed official indicated he was open to the idea.

The Fed "could very well do" a 75-basis-point increase at its Sept. 20-21 meeting, said Chicago Fed President Charles Evans, who has tended to be on the dovish

side of monetary policy debates. That would mark the third such large increase in a row and push the Fed's target interest rate above 3% for the first time since 2008.

"We are going to have a conversation about that," Evans said. "I'm going to be listening to everybody. My mind is not made up."

Reuters

Whistleblower's \$7M deal

Twitter agreed in June to pay \$7 million to settle a compensation dispute with the whistleblower whose allegations will be part of Elon Musk's case against the company, according to a source familiar with the matter.

Whistleblower Peiter "Mudge" Zatko (right), who was fired by Twitter in January and was the company's security head, last month accused the firm of falsely claiming it had a solid security plan and making

misleading statements about its defenses against hackers and spam accounts.

Zatko will meet the Senate Judiciary Committee on Sept. 13 to discuss the allegations.

The settlement resolved a dispute about unpaid compensation and did not prevent him from filing a whistleblower complaint, which he did soon after reaching the agreement with Twitter, according to the source.

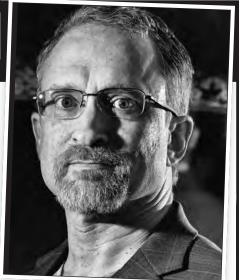
Zatko's attorney said he can-

not comment on the existence of a settlement with Twitter.

Zatko's settlement was first reported by The Wall Street Journal, which said he agreed to a nondisclosure agreement.

Details of Zatko's settlement will soon be made public in the court filings in Twitter's legal battle with Musk, who wants to walk away from his agreement to buy it. A trial is scheduled for next month.

Twitter did not respond to a request for comment. Reuters



Twitter a mouse trap

Bots, 'nastiness' sank Disney bid to buy: Iger

By ARIEL ZILBER

Disney was on the verge of acquiring Twitter in 2016, but the former top executive at the Mouse House pulled the plug because he said the platform was full of "hate speech" and bots - echoing a similar claim made by Tesla boss Elon Musk.

Robert Iger, the former CEO of The Walt Disney Company who stepped down two years ago, told a tech conference in Los Angeles on Wednesday that he realized a "substantial portion" of Twitter users 'were not real."

Iger's anecdote appears to back Musk's claim that Twitter has downplayed the presence of bots during the Tesla chief's negotiations to buy the company for \$44 billion. Twitter sued Musk after he sought to terminate the agreement.

Disney was on the verge



Then-Disney boss Bob Iger (left) was tempted to buy Twitter in 2016, but backed out because of the site's fake accounts and general unpleasantness.

> I don't remember the number [of bots] but we discounted the value heavily.

> > Former Disney **CEO Robert Iger**

of buying Twitter before the 2016 election.

In his 2019 memoir "The Ride of a Lifetime: Lessons Learned from 15 Years as CEO of the Walt Disney Company," Iger wrote that the boards of both companies came to a deal, but he decided to pull out because of the "nastiness" prevalent on the site.

On Wednesday, Iger delved deeper into the saga of Disney's aborted acquisition of Twitter, saying that he reconsidered the deal because the toxic discourse on the site was not in sync with the company's wholesome, familyfriendly and feel-good brand.

He told the Vox Code

Conference in Beverly Hills on Wednesday that Twitter would have been a "phenomenal" distribution vehicle for Disney.

Disney was about to consummate the acquisition until Iger went home and "contemplated it for a weekend."

He said he then had second thoughts.

Iger said Disney "estimated" that there were a large number of bots, though he said they were "not a majority."

"I don't remember the number, but we dis-counted the value heavily," he said.

Iger said another factor dissuading the company from taking on Twitter was the vitriol on the site.

"Then you have to look, of course, at all the hate speech and potential to do as much harm as good," he said. "We're in the business of manufacturing fun at Disney."

Wrinkle product gets OK

The Food and Drug Administration approved a new wrinkle treatment that could be the most formidable challenger to date to market leader Botox.

For about two decades, Botox, now sold by AbbVie, has dominated the aesthetic-drug market it helped pioneer, racking up tens of billions of dollars in sales and successfully fending off challengers.

The FDA's approval of Revance Therapeutics' Daxxify introduces a new rival that doctors and analysts said could succeed in carving out a big slice of a lucrative and fast-growing market by promising to last two months longer than Botox's four months.

The FDA approved Daxxify, also known as daxibotulinumtoxinA, for the temporary improvement of frown lines in adults, Revance said Thursday.

"This marks what we think is the first real competitive threat to Botox," said Cowen analyst Ken Cacciatore, who expects Daxxify to generate \$1 billion in sales as early as

The new product, he said, may "finally draw patients to try something new and different."

Revance shares soared 22% to \$25.30. Dow Jones

United: Air taxis coming

United Airlines thinks that in a few years, big-city customers will pay \$100 or more for a one-way ride to the airport in a four-seat, electric-powered air taxi.

The airline said Thursday that it invested \$15 million in a startup manufacturer, and signed a "conditional" agreement to buy 200 of the tiny aircraft with options for 200 more.

United said it expects to receive the first taxis which will take off and land vertically, like helicopters — from Eve Air Mobility as soon as 2026.

The Eve aircraft is envisioned to have a range of 40 to 60 miles.

GM's 30G EV a year away Rates to stall home sales

General Motors said Thursday the Chevrolet Equinox, one of the least expensive of its new generation of electric vehicles for North America, will go on sale in the fall of 2023 priced above the company's \$30,000 target.

The car, which shares the Equinox name with a gasoline-burning Chevrolet compact utility vehicle, is one of three new EVs GM has said it plans to launch that season

for the brand in North America.

GM Chief Executive Mary Barra has focused on the Equinox as an "affordable" electric SUV with a starting price of about \$30,000, less than half the starting price of Tesla's Model Y.

Separately, Stellantis' Jeep brand will start selling two fully electric SUVs in North America and another one in Europe over the next Post Wires two years.

The housing market's ongoing slowdown will continue through the end of the year as surging mortgage rates discourage prospective homebuyers, according to the latest

analysis by real estate firm Redfin. Redfin noted a "nosedive" in

home-touring activity, which is down 38% since January over the last four weeks, with declining demand that led a near-record share of homeowners to lower their asking prices.

The average home sold for 0.3% less than the asking price for the four weeks ending Sept. 4 — the firsttime homes didn't sell above their list price in a year and a half, according to the firm's latest market report.

"The housing market always cools down this time of year, but this year, I expect fall and winter to be especially frigid as sales dry up more than usual," Redfin chief economist Daryl Fairweather said. Thomas Barrabi



SUNDAR PICHAI CEO sets "high bar" for trips.

Google: Cut fun spending

Alphabet's Google is reportedly cracking down on non-essential travel, team happy hours and other social gatherings as top executives, including CEO Sundar Pichai, aim to save cash.

In an email last week, Google brass instructed some senior managers they should not approve spending on team-related social functions, full-team offsite events or travel to in-person events that can be attended virtually, a report said Wednesday.

Google executives noted managers should maintain a "high bar" and only sign off on trips that are deemed business critical, according to The Information, which

obtained a copy of the email. "We recently shared guidance about taking a responsible approach on expense management, including travel and events," Google said in a statement. "Different product areas and functions are implementing this in a way that works best for their teams."Thomas Barrabi

New jobless at 3-mo. low

The number of Americans filing new claims for unemployment benefits fell last week to a three-month low, underscoring the robustness of the labor market even as the Federal Reserve raises interest rates.

Initial claims for state unemployment benefits declined 6,000 to a seasonally adjusted 222,000 for the week ended Sept. 3, the Labor Department said Thursday. Weekly initial claims in 2022 are averaging around 214,000, close to the 2019 weekly average of around 218,000.



iPhone 'upgrade' gets a 'Jobs' jab

By LEE BROWN

She's a meme girl!

A model daughter of late Apple co-founder Steve Jobs has mocked the tech giant's new iPhone with a meme suggesting it's identical to the old model.

Eve Jobs, 23, on Wednesday shared the witty critique that shows a grinning middle-aged man proudly holding up a brown-colored gifted check shirt — one identical to the one he is already wearing.

"Me upgrading from iPhone 13 to iPhone 14 after Apple's announce-ment today," quips the post first shared by Wall Street Memes.

Jobs shared it to her Instagram stories soon after current Apple CEO Tim Cook revealed the new iPhone in Cupertino, Calif., at a theater named after her dad, who died in October 2011.

She was far from alone in poking fun at how few changes the new model offered over the current iPhone 13, with most promised upgrades being in its cameras and battery life — and the biggest selling point being that it would be the same cost as the current lineup.

"Happy Apple Improved the iPhone Camera Day!" one person joked in a reply to the original Wall Street Memes post.

"Trying to pump share prices. Same phone different 'features' lol," actor Blair Jackson also wrote in reply.

Eve Jobs' Instagram is usually dedicated to sharing her success as an equestrian rider as well as her promising modeling career.

She was recently signed by DNA Model Management, which reps the likes of Kaia Gerber and Linda Evangelista.

Meanwhile, Cook has a solution for people who are annoyed by texting issues between iPhones and Androids: "Buy your mom an iPhone."

Cook's flippant comment, delivered at the conference, comes as Apple's critics have griped that Apple makes texting non-iPhone devices more difficult in order to boost its own iMessage service.

Theo Wayt contributed to this story.

LUCKY HARNS, Friday, S. OD D. OR NOT Feds close case

By LISA FICKENSCHER

The feds have quietly closed an investigation into illnesses caused by Lucky Charms, even as customers continue to report bizarre symptoms after eating the sugary breakfast cereal - including poop that turned "bright neon green," The Post has learned.

The Food and Drug Administration said this week that it has ended the probe it began in April of the General

Mills cereal after finding "no pathogen or cause of the self-reported illnesses identified, despite extensive testing for numerous potential microbial and chemical adulterants."

That's despite the fact that last month some 79 people reported becoming ill after eating Lucky Charms, bringing the total number of reported victims this year to 8,633, according to iwaspoisoned.com, a platform for reporting food related illnesses.

"My poop became increasingly green and watery until it reached a bright neon green," a customer from Teaneck, NJ, reported on Aug. 21, claiming the symptoms persisted for three days after eating a single bowl.

"My son had severe stomach pain within 20 minutes of eating a small bowl of Lucky Charms," a West Virginia parent wrote on the website Aug. 7. "The pain was so severe and he became so pale, I thought he was experiencing appendicitis . . . Nearly ended up going to the emergency department."

Another customer from Arizona wrote, "I ate 2 small bowls of Lucky Charms last night . . . I've been suffering with vomiting, nausea, green diarrhea, stomach cramps/ pain all morning and had a rough night trying to sleep."

The FDA started its investigation after some 100 consumers initially reported illnesses. That number rose to 529 in early May, but the total was only 558 at the end of the probe, suggesting the probe may have been closed because of a sharp slowdown in reported cases, experts

said. While it's not clear what is causing the illnesses, experts believe the FDA focused

chemical additives to the cereal.

"I've heard the FDA was testing

for chemical contaminants in food," Lee-Ann Jaykus, a professor of food, bioprocessing, and nutrition sciences at North Carolina State University, told The Post. "The concentration of a chemical contaminant is usually low and even if it's there it's like pulling a needle in the haystack. I don't think anyone was terribly surprised that they didn't find anything."

A FDA spokesperson declined to comment on the probe. General Mills spokesperson Andrea Williams said, "We have fully cooperated with the FDA," adding, "We have investigated concerns across our Lucky Charms manufacturing facilities and have not found any evidence of consumer illness tied to our products."



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Pledgors are the owners of all equity interests in Debtor, the entity that owns the real property and improvements known as Hotel Bosser located at 98 Montague St., Brooklyn, NY 11201. For information purposes only, Debtor is the borrower under a securitized mortgage loar in the original principal amount of \$112,000,000 (the "Mortgage Loan").

The sale will take place on November 9, 2022 at 2:15 p.m. Eastern Time (the "Sale"). Purchasers may attend the Sale at the NY Supreme Courthouse Portico, 60 Centre Street, New York NY and via web-based video and/or telephonic conferencing program at the following link: https://hodgeswardelliott.zoom.us/j/83470713556.

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Members are cordially invited to attend the 99th Annual Meeting of Members are cordially invited to attend the 99th Annual Meeting of Members of American Management Association International on Friday, September 16, 2022. The purposes of the meeting are as follows: To elect new Trustees as provided in the By-Laws; To receive the Financial Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022; To transact any other business that may come before the meeting. The meeting will be held at 12 Noon on September 16, 2022 in person at AMA's headquarters located at 1601 Broadway, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10019. The Board of Trustees has fixed the close of business on August 9, 2022 as the record date for the Annual Meeting of Members. Only members are of such date faull be antitled to Meeting of Members. Only members as of such date shall be entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting of Members. To facilitate meeting arrangements, please respond by September 6, 2022 if you plan to participate in the meeting. Email your response, including your name, title, organization, address and phone number to title, organization, address and phone number to <u>membership@amanet.org</u>. Alternatively, if you wish to vote by proxy, please email your name, title, organization, address and phone number to <u>membership@amanet.org</u> and request a proxy to vote.

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SHERIFF'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION ISSUED OUT OF THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, BRONX COUNTY In favor of JOHNNIE MAE ROMERO, AS THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF ALBERTO ROMERO, ESTATE OF ALBERTO NOMENO, judgment creditors and against ANTHONY ROBERTS, judgment debtors, to me directed and delivered, I will sell at public auction, by Dennis Alestra, DCA# 0840217, auctioneer, as the law directs, FOR CASH ONLY, on the directs, FOR CASH ONLY, on the 9th day of NOVEMBER, 2022, at I:00 o'clock in the afternoon, at he **BRONX COUNTY SHERIFF'S** OFFICE 3030 THIRD AVENUE 2nd FLOOR, NY 10455 in the County of BRONX all the right, title and interest, which ANTHONY interest, which ANIHONY ROBERTS, the judgment debtor had on the 15th day of April, 2008 and 14th day of August 2019 or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following properties:

662 EAGLE AVENUE BRONX NY 10455 Block 2624 Lot 17

All that certain piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of the Bronx, City of New York, County of Bronx and State of New York, known and designated as the southerly portion of Lot Number Sixty-Four, of mapentitled "Trustees sale of the Ursuline Convent Property, 23rd Ward, New York City, etc" said premises being bounded and described as follows:

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THENCE northerly along said westerly boundary line of Lot Number Forty-Eight on said map, sixteen feet eight inches;

THENCE westerly partly through a party wall, one hundred and fifteen feet to the westerly side of Eagle Avenue, aforesaid; and

THENCE southerly along the said easterly side of Eagle Avenue, sixteen feet eight inches to the point or place of BEGINNING.

SAID PREMISES BEING KNOWN AS AND BY NUMBER 662 EAGLE AVENUE, BRONX, NEW YORK

Anthony Miranda Sheriff of the City of New York

Deputy Sheriff R. Torre New York City Sheriff's Office Case # 22008760 3030 Third Avenue, 2nd Floor Bronx, New York 10455 718-993-3880

DISH Wireless LLC is proposing to install new wireless telecommunications antennas on an existing building located at 65-14 Parsons Blvd, Queens, Queens County, New York 11365. The new facility will consist of the collocation of antennas at top heights of 70 ft 7 in and 84 ft 2 in on the 64 ft 7 in tall building (measured to the parapet). Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending such comments to: Project 6122007106 - MW EBI Consulting, 21 B Street, Burlington, MA 01803, or at (678) 481-6555.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 3, Subchapter 3 of the Administrative Code of the City of New York, a Real Property A&D Public Hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, at 10:00 AM. The Public Hearing will be held via Conference Call. Call-in #: 1-646-992-2010, Access Code: 717-876-299

REAL PROPERTY PUBLIC HEARING in the matter of the acquisition by the City of New York of Fee Simple interests, including properties in the Streamside Acquisition Program (SAP) and in the New York City-Funded Flood Buyout Program (FBO) on the following real estate in the Counties of Greene, Putnam and Ulster for the purposes of providing for the continued supply of water, and for preserving and preventing the contamination or pollution of the New

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A copy of the Mayor's Preliminary Certificate of Adoption and maps of the real estate to b acquired are available for public inspection upon request. Please call (914)749-5410.

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Notification is given that State Street Bank and Trust Company, National Association, 300 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10022, has filed a branch and relocation application with the Comptroller of the Currency on September 9th, 2022, as specified in 12 CFR 5 for permission to relocate its main office from 300 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10022 to 1290 Avenue of Americas, New York, New York 10014. Any person wishing to comment on this application may file comments in writing with the Director for District Licensing, Northeastern District Licensing, Office of the Controller of the Currency, 5th floor, 340 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10173 or NELicensing@occ.treas.gov within 30 days of the date of this publication. date of this publication

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF QUEENS

HSBC BANK USA, N.A., Plaintiff AGAINST ALBERT LEE, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered June 17, 2020, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Courthouse steps of the Queens County Supreme Court, 88-11 'Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, New York on September 16, 2022 at 10:30AM, premises Known as 21405 46th Rd, Bayside, NY 11361. All that certain allet nices or a predict Rd, Bayside, NY 11301. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 7339, 1 JUDI: 28. Approximate amount of judgment \$157,338.83 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #713360/2016. The aforementioned auction will be conducted in accordance with the QUEENS County COVID-19 Protocols located on the Office of

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Walter Drobenko, Esq., Referee Frenkel Lambert Weiss Weisman & Gordon, LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay oca.shtml) and as such all

Shore, NY 11706 01-092421-F00 72640

Dish Wireless, LLC is proposing to install new wireless telecommunications antennas on an existing building located at 444 W 55th Street, New York, New York County, NY 10019. The new facility will consist of the collocation of antennas at varying heights, not to exceed approx. 101ft 4in above ground level (measured to top of antennas) on the 95ft 4in tall ground level (measured to top of antennas) on the 95ft 4in tall building (overall height of 101ft 4in measured to top of proposed antennas). Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending such comments to: Project 6122007829 - KRC EBI Consulting, 21 B Street, Burlington, MA 01803, or at (815) 302-9118. (815) 302-9118.

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SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF OUEENS, DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR NEW CENTURY HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 2005-3, Plaintiff, vs. TERCELINO A. TORRES, ET AL., Defendant(s) Defendant(s).

Pursuant to an Order Confirming Referee's Report and Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly entered on May 20, 2019, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction on the outside steps of the Queens County Supreme Court, 88-11 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY on September 22, 2022 at 11:20 a.m., premises known as 69-44 September 22, 2022 at 11:20 a.m., premises known as 69-44 Hillmeyer Avenue, Far Rockaway, NY 11692. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Queens, City and State of New York, Block 16046 and Lot 64. Approximate amount of judgment is \$635,470.78 plus judgment is \$635,470.78 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index #703873/2021. Cash will not be accepted. The Referee shall comply with the Eleventh Judicial District's COVID-19 policies concerning public auctions of foreclosed properties. These policies, along with the Queens County Foreclosure's Auction Rules, can be found on the Queens Supreme Court - Civil Term website. Term website.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF QUEENS, EMIGRANT BANK SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO EMIGRANT SAVINGS BANK—BROOKLYN/QUEENS, Plaintiff, vs. ELDWYN BROWN, JUDY PURCELL,

et. al. Defendant(s).
Pursuant to a Final Judgment of
Foreclosure and Sale duly filed and recorded on January 28, 2020 and recorded on January 28, 2020, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction on the courthouse steps of the Queens County Supreme Court, located at 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica, NY 11435 on Friday, September 23, 2022 at 12:00 p.m., premises known as 99-58 211th Street, Queens Village, NY 11429. All that certain lott piece or parcel of certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Queens, State of New York, Block 10878 and Lot 88. Approximate amount of judgment is \$506,331.52 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of Júdgment Index #705893/2013.

#705893/2013.

William Driscoll, Referee
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF RICHMOND

SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE

Index No. 135429/2019 Date Filed: 8/24/2022

Wilmington Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-10XS, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-10XS pursuant to the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of June 1, 2007,

Plaintiff.

-against-

Shoshana Huber, if she be living or dead, her spouse, heirs, devisees, distributees and successors in interest, all of whom and whose names and places of residence are unknown to Plaintiff; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.; Toyota Motor Credit Corporation; City of New York Environmental Control Board; City of New York Parking Violations Bureau; City of New York Transit Adjudication Bureau; The State of New York

"JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #12," the last twelve names being fictitious and unknown to plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the tenants, occupants, persons or corporations, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the Subject Property described in the Complaint.

Defendants.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 60 Bowling Green Place, Staten Island, NY 10314

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or a notice of appearance on the attorneys for the Plaintiff within thirty (30) days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint

TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS: The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. Desmond A. Green, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Richmond County, entered Aug. 19, 2022 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Richmond County Clerk's Office.

NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$345,000.00 and interest, recorded in the Richmond County Office of the City Register on March 27, 2007, in Land Document Number 186562 covering premises known as 60 Bowling Green Place, Staten Island, NY 10314 a/k/a Block 2116, Lot 50.

The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

Plaintiff designates Richmond County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgaged premises is situated.

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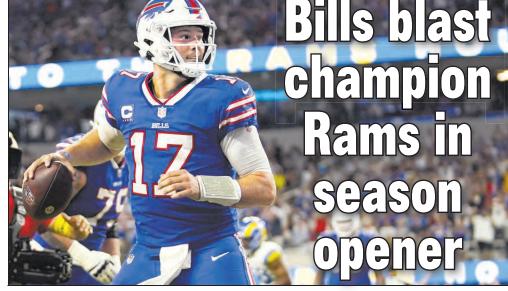


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TOP BILLIN': Bills quarterback Josh Allen stands triumphant in the end zone after rushing for a second-half touchdown Thursday night against the Rams in Inglewood, Calif.

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BILLS

RAMS

By GREG BEACHAM

INGLEWOOD, Calif. - Josh Allen passed for 297 yards while accounting for four touchdowns, Von Miller had two of Buffalo's seven sacks, and the Bills stamped themselves as a clear contender for the Rams' Super Bowl crown with a 31-10 victory over Los Angeles on

Thursday night. Gabe Davis, Isaiah McKenzie and Stefon Diggs caught TD passes as the two-time defending AFC East champion Bills opened the NFL's 103rd season by overcoming four turnovers and running away with a blowout win in the same stadium where the Rams won the Super

Bowl nearly seven months ago. Allen went 26 for 31 despite two interceptions. He also rushed for 56 yards, scrambling for a 4-yard TD when he stretched the ball over the line with 13:27 to play. The star quarterback took his share of hits, but he also dished them out and showed off a mean stiff-arm while Buffalo's offense under

largely dominated the champs. "There's a lot to learn, but that second half, that's who we want to be, going out there and executing that way," Allen said. "We were 90 percent on third down. That's a recipe for success."

new coordinator Ken Dorsey

Matthew Stafford passed for 240 yards with one TD and three interceptions on a bruising night for the Rams, who lost a season opener and fell below .500 for the first time in coach Sean

"Very humbling night, but one where you look yourself in the mirror and say you have to be

better," McVay said. "We weren't ready to go. That's on me. ... There were a lot of decisions I made that didn't put us in the best position to succeed. It was a very humbling night."

McVay's six seasons in charge.

The Bills' seven sacks were the most allowed in McVay's tenure with the Rams, who lost two starters from last year's offensive line and attempted to replace them internally.

len Ramsey afterward.

plane do backflips on the way home tonight," Miller said.

SPORTS SHORTS

MLB: Marlins rally to defeat Phillies

First baseman Rhys Hoskins' two-base error allowed Miami to tie the game in the ninth and Brian Anderson's followed with an RBI single that sent the Marlins past the Phillies, 6-5 in Philadelphia and snapped their ninegame losing streak.

- Yadier Molina homered twice on a day he paired with Cardinals pitcher Adam Wainwright to tie the major league record of 324 starts by a battery in an 11-6 loss to the Nationals in St. Louis. Alex Call had four hits and five RBIs for Washington, including a threerun homer off James Naile in the ninth.
- In Milwaukee, Garrett Mitchell hit an RBI double and the Brewers beat the Giants 4-2 and complete a doubleheader sweep. In the opening game, Corbin Burnes struck out 14 and allowed three hits in eight shutout innings in a 2-1 victory
- A pair of baseball prospects in the Dominican Republic have filed suit against the Los Angeles Angels for not honoring verbal contract agreements, ESPN reported Thursday. According to the report, arguments were made Aug. 31 in a Dominican court after the Angels were alleged to have backed out of deals with Willy Fanas and Kiederson Pavon just weeks before the official Jan. 15, 2021, signing

date. The lawsuits were filed in May.

HOOPS: Sun advance to WNBA finals

Jonquel Jones had 15 points and 10 rebounds and the visiting Connecticut Sun overcame an 11-point fourth-quarter deficit, beating the Chicago Sky 72-63 in the decisive fifth game of the semifinal series and advancing to the WNBA Finals. Connecticut will face the top-seeded Las Vegas Aces for the WNBA title. The first game of the series is Sunday in Las Vegas.

 Bucks star Giannis Antetokounmpo injured his right ankle in the third quarter while playing for Greece at EuroBasket 2022 in a 90-69 victory over Estonia. The two-time NBA Most Valuable Player has a mild sprain, according to the Greek Basketball Federation.

GOLF: Lin takes LPGA lead

Xivu "Tanet" Lin of China opened with five birdies in six holes, birdied all but one of the par 5s and had an 8-under 64 for a one-shot lead over Nasa Hataoka in the Kroger Queen City Championship in Cincinnati.

That included a remarkable performance by 14-year-old **Gianna Clemente**, who made it through Monday qualifying for the third week in a row on the LPGA Tour. Clemente played bogey-free for a 70.

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Tampa Bay	77	58	.570	41/2	+11/2	8-2	W-3	47-24	30-34
Toronto	76	60	.559	6	_	8-2	W-1	38-29	38-31
Baltimore	72	65	.526	10½	41/2	5-5	L-1	40-28	32-37
Boston	67	71	.486	16	10	5-5	L-3	35-34	32-37
Central	W	L	Pct.	GB	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Cleveland	70	65	.519	_	_	3-7	L-1	33-30	37-35
Chicago	70	68	.507	1½	7	7-3	W-2	34-36	36-32
Minnesota	69	67	.507	1½	7	4-6	W-1	40-29	29-38
Kansas City	56	82	.406	15½	21	5-5	W-1	33-39	23-43
Detroit	52	85	.380	19	241/2	3-7	W-1	30-40	22-45
West	W	L	Pct.	GB	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Houston	88	49	.642	_	_	7-3	W-1	45-21	43-28
Seattle	77	60	.562	11	+1/2	8-2	L-1	36-30	41-30
Los Angeles	60	77	.438	28	16½	6-4	L-1	31-40	29-37

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*WGB: Games behind third-place team in wild-card race

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50 88 .362 381/2

Thursday

Texas

Oakland

Minnesota 4, Yankees 3 White Sox 14, Oakland 2 **Friday**

Tampa Bay at Yankees, 7:05 Boston at Baltimore, 7:05 Toronto at Texas, 8:05 Cleveland at Minnesota, 8:10 Detroit at Kansas City, 8:10 L.A. Angels at Houston, 8:10

Atlanta at Seattle, 9:40 White Sox at Oakland, 9:40 **Saturday**

1-9 L-1

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L10 Streak Home Away

48-21 35-34

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22-46 28-42

5-5 L-1

Tampa Bay at **Yankees**, 1:05 White Sox at Oakland, 4:07 Boston at Baltimore, 5:05 Toronto at Texas, 7:05 Detroit at Kansas City, 7:10 Cleveland at Minnesota, 7:15 L.A. Angels at Houston, 7:15 Atlanta at Seattle, 9:10

NL Standings

East	W	L	Pct.	GB '	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Mets	87	51	.630	_	_	5-5	W-2	46-23	41-28
Atlanta	86	51	.628	1/2	+11	7-3	W-7	47-25	39-26
Philadelphia	75	62	.547	11½	_	3-7	L-1	41-31	34-31
Miami	56	80	.412	30	181/2	1-9	W-1	26-38	30-42
Washington	49	89	.355	38	261/2	6-4	W-1	22-47	27-42
Central	W	L	Pct.	GB '	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
St. Louis	81	57	.587	_	_	7-3	L-1	47-24	34-33
Milwaukee	73	65	.529	8	21/2	5-5	W-2	37-26	36-39
Chicago	57	80	.416	231/2	18	2-8	L-2	29-40	28-40
Cincinnati	55	80	.407	241/2	19	5-5	W-2	29-39	26-41
Pittsburgh	50	86	.368	30	24½	3-7	L-2	27-41	23-45
West	W	L	Pct.	GB ,	*WGB	L10	Streak	Home	Away
Los Angeles	94	42	.691	_	_	6-4	W-2	49-18	45-24
San Diego	76	62	.551	19	+1/2	6-4	W-2	37-29	39-33
Arizona	65	71	.478	29	91/2	6-4	L-2	37-34	28-37
San Francisco	65	72	.474	291/2	10	4-6	L-4	37-32	28-40
Colorado	59	79	.428	36	16½	5-5	W-2	38-33	21-46
*WGB: Games I	behir	nd thi	ird-pla	ce tea	m in wild	-card	race	-	

Thursday

Washington 11, St. Louis 6 Cincinnati 4, Cubs 3 Milwaukee 2, San Francisco 1, 1st game Miami 6, Philadelphia 5 Milwaukee 4, San Francisco 2, 2nd

game Friday

Mets at Miami, 6:40 San Francisco at Cubs, 4:05 St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 6:35 Washington at Philadelphia, 7:05

Cincinnati at Milwaukee, 8:10 Arizona at Colorado, 8:40 Atlanta at Seattle, 9:40 L.A. Dodgers at San Diego, 9:40

Saturday

Mets at Miami, 6:10 San Francisco at Cubs, 2:20 Washington at Philadelphia, 6:05 Cincinnati at Milwaukee, 7:15 St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 7:35 Arizona at Colorado, 8:10 L.A. Dodgers at San Diego, 8:40 Atlanta at Seattle, 9:10

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Garlick rf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.24
Lopez p	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Thielbar p	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Fulmer p	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Correa dh-ss	4	1	1	2	0	2	.27
Miranda 1b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.27
Urshela 3b	4	1	1	0	0	0	.26
Sanchez c	4	1	3	1	0	1	.21
C.Hamilton pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	.00
Leon c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.16
Celestino cf	3	0	1	0	1	0	.24
Palacios ss-2b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.16
Gordon 2b-lf	4	0	1	1	0	1	.27
B.Hamilton If	1	0	0	0	0	0	.00
Cave ph-lf-rf	2	1	0	0	0	0	.21
Totals	34	4	8	4	1	6	
Yankees	AB	R	Н		BB		Αv
Hicks If	5	0	1	0	0	2	.21
Judge rf	4	1	2	0	1	0	.30
Torres 2b	4	0	0	0	1	3	.23
Kiner-Falefa 3b	5	1	2	0	0	1	.26
Gonzalez 1b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.20
Andujar dh	3	1	2	2	1	0	.24
Florial cf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.10

Yankees	AB	R	Н	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Hicks If	5	0	1	0	0	2	.212
Judge rf	4	1	2	0	1	0	.302
Torres 2b	4	0	0	0	1	3	.237
Kiner-Falefa 3b	5	1	2	0	0	1	.269
Gonzalez 1b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.201
Andujar dh	3	1	2	2	1	0	.243
Florial cf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.100
Stanton ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	.213
Locastro cf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.162
Higashioka c	3	0	1	0	0	0	.193
Trevino ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.254
Peraza ss	3	0	1	0	1	0	.278
Totals	36	3	10	2	4	10	
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Yankees	020 000 010 — 3 10 1
E: Palacios (3), P	eralta (1). LOB: Minnesota

4, New York 10. 2B: Sanchez (21), Judge (23), Hicks (7). HR: Correa (18), off Weissert; Andujar (1), off Gray. **RBIs:** Sanchez (48), Gordon (36), Correa 2 (50), Andujar 2 (7). **SB:** Kiner-Falefa (18). Runners left in scoring position: Minnesota 0; New York 4 (Kiner-Falefa 2, Gonzalez, Stanton). Minnesota 2 for 4; New York 1 for 8.

Minnesota	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Gray	6.0	7	2	2	1	7	79	3.09
Jax, W, 6-3								3.39
Lopez, H, 1	0.2	1	1	1	2	1	25	3.38
Thielbar, H, 16	0.2	1	0	0	0	1	19	3.71
Fulmer, S, 1-1	0.2	1	0	0	1	1	12	3.38

Yankees	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	NP ERA
Cortes	4.0	2	2	2	0	2	58 2.73
Schmidt	3.0	2	0	0	1	2	45 2.82
Peralta, L, 2-4	0.2	0	1	0	0	2	13 2.55
Weissert	0.1	2	1	1	0	0	9 8.22
Weber	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	9 1.04

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Brewers 4, G	ıan	ts	2,	2r	1 d	Ga	me
San Francisco	AB	R	Н	BI	BB	S0	Avg
Wade Jr. rf	1	0	0	0	1	0	.199
Brinson ph-cf	2	0	0	0	0	1	.263
Flores 2b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.237
Longoria 3b	4	0	1	0	0	2	.244
Pederson If	3	1	1	1	1	1	.265
Estrada ss	4	0	0	0	0	1	.260
Yastrzemski cf-rf	4	1	2	0	0	1	.212
Villar 1b	3	0	0	0	1	3	.214
La Stella dh	0	0	0	0	1	0	.237
Davis ph-dh	3	0	0	0	0	3	.254
Wynns c	2	0	0	0	0	1	.221
Gonzalez ph	1	0	0	1	0	0	.252
Bart c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.225
Totals	31	2	4	2	4	13	
Milwaukee	AB	R	Н	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Brosseau 3b	0	1	0	0	1	0	.256
Peterson ph-3b	3	0	0	0	1	1	.257
Adames ss	4	1	1	0	0	1	.229

AB	R	н	BI	BB	50	Avg
0	1	0	0	1	0	.256
3	0	0	0	1	1	.257
4	1	1	0	0	1	.229
2	1	0	0	2	1	.259
3	0	1	0	1	0	.256
4	0	1	0	0	1	.226
3	0	0	1	0	1	.240
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2	1	1	0	1	0	.223
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E: Longoria (6). LOB: San Francisco 6, Milwaukee 9. **2B:** Mitchell (1). **3B:** Yastrzemski (2). **HR:** Pederson (22), off Bush. **RBIs:** Gonzalez (34), Pederson (62), Hiura (30), Mitchell (6). SB: Tellez (2). SF: Hiura. RISP: San Francisco 0 for 3; Milwaukee 0 for 8.

ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
0.2	1	3	1	2	0	24	2.93
5.0	3	1	1	2	6	87	5.73
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2.0	1	0	0	1	1	27	0.00
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Milner, H, 9	1.2	2	0	0	1	2	32
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Cincinnati	AB	R	Н	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Friedl cf	4	1	0	0	1	1	.272
India 2b	5	0	3	1	0	0	.266
K.Farmer 3b	4	1	2	1	0	0	.265
Fairchild pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	.237
Solano 1b	0	0	0	0	1	0	.302
Fraley If	4	0	2	0	1	1	.250
Steer 1b	3	0	0	1	1	0	.211
Robinson c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.115
Aquino rf	3	0	0	0	1	0	.196
Senzel dh	3	1	0	0	1	1	.240
Barrero ss	4	0	0	0	0	1	.148
Romine c	2	0	1	0	0	0	.163
Lopez ph-3b	2	1	1	1	0	0	.305
Totals	34	4	9	4	6	4	
Chicago	AB	R	Н	BI	BB	S0	Avg
McKinstry 2b-3b	4	0	0	0	0	2	.177
Suzuki rf	4	2	2	1	0	1	.264
Reyes dh	4	0	1	1	0	2	.287
Happ If	4	0	0	0	0	1	.272
Hoerner ss	4	1	2	0	0	0	.285
Higgins c	1	0	1	1	0	0	.228
Hermosillo pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	.071
Rivas 1b	3	0	1	0	1	2	.244
Velazquez cf	2	0	0	0	0	1	.204
Ortega ph-cf	2	0	0	0	0	2	.230
Bote 3b	2	0	0	0	0	2	.246
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Chicago	(000	011	01	0 —	3	7	1

E: Velazquez (4). LOB: Cincinnati 9, Chicago 5. **2B:** Suzuki (22), Hoerner (20). **3B:** Lopez (1), Hoerner (5). **HR:** K.Farmer (10), off Sampson; Suzuki (12), off Diaz. RBIs: K.Farmer (63), Steer (3), Lopez (5), India (33), Higgins (24), Reyes (14), Suzuki (44). SB: Rivas (4). RISP: Cincinnati 2 for 9; Chicago 1 for 3.

Cincinnati	IΡ	Н	R	ER	BB	S0	NP	ERA
Cessa	5.2	3	2	2	0	8	73	4.97
B.Farmer	0.2	2	0	0	1	1	24	3.72
Diaz, W, 6-2	1.2	1	1	1	0	3	27	1.83
Gibaut, S, 1-2	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	12	4.56
Chicago	ΙP	н	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
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Sampson								
	6.0	5	1	1	0	1	75	3.76
Sampson	6.0 0.2	5	1 0	1	0 1	1	75 18	3.76 3.26
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Marlins 6, Phillies 5

Berti 2b	4	1	1	0	0	0	.258
Cooper dh	5	1	2	1	0	0	.255
De La Cruz pr-dh	0	1	0	0	0	0	.206
Wendle ss	5	2	1	1	0	1	.248
Garcia rf	4	0	3	1	1	1	.233
Anderson 3b	4	0	1	1	0	0	.229
Bleday cf	5	0	1	0	0	2	.189
Stallings c	3	0	1	0	1	0	.220
Williams pr-1b	1	0	0	0	0	1	.229
Rojas 1b	0	0	0	0	0	0	.229
Incarnacion If	5	0	1	0	0	2	.214
Diaz 1b	2	1	1	1	1	0	.170
ortes ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	0	.234
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Totals	39		12	5	3	7	
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Totals	39	6	12	5		7	Avg .211
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Totals Philadelphia Schwarber If	39 AB 4	R	12 H 0	BI 0	BB 0	50	.211
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Totals Philadelphia Schwarber If Hoskins 1b Bohm 3b Harper dh Realmuto c	AB 4 4 4 4 4	R 1 2 1 0	12 H 0 3 2 0	BI 0 0 2 0 1	0 0 0 0 0	7 50 1 0 1 3 1	.211 .252 .294 .310 .268
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E: Bleday (1), Hoskins (11), LOB: Miami 11, Philadelphia 2. **2B:** Bleday (9), Cooper 2 (26), Bohm (21), Stott (15). **3B:** Bohm (3). **HR:** Diaz (2), off Gibson; Wendle (3), off Gibson; Maton (3), off Alcantara. **RBIs:** Diaz (6), Cooper (43), Garcia (31), Wendle (30), Anderson (22), Maton (12), Realmuto (71), Stott (41), Bohm 2 (64). RISP: Miami 2 for 10; Philadelphia 2 for 6.

Philadelphia								ERA
Floro, W, 1-2	2.0	1	0	0	0	1	20	3.48
Bleier	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	10	3.19
Alcantara	6.0	8	5	3	0	7	94	2.43
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oonrod, H, 2	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	22 4.15
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obertson, L, 3. BS. 4-6	1.0	2	2	1	1	2	21 2 02
3. BS. 4-6	1.0	2	2	1	1	3	21 2.93

T: 3:04. A: 19,073 (42,792).

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Nationals 11, Cardinals 6

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E: Meneses (3), Abrams (5), Arenado (10). LOB: Washington 9, St. Louis 10. 2B: Voit (1), Hernandez (27), Call (1), Abrams (2), Donovan (18). HR: Call (2), off Naile; Molina 2 (4), off Grav. RBIs: Hernandez 3 (32), Meneses (18), Call 5 (8), Garcia (33), Abrams (6), Goldschmidt (109), Molina 3 (19), Dickerson 2 (28). **SF:** Meneses, Hernandez. RISP: Washington 9 for 21; St. Louis 2 for 12.
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it. Louis	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ER/
Vainwright	5.0	9	4	4	0	2	93	3.33
Pallante, L, 6-5	0.1	2	1	1	0	0	16	3.27
licks	1.1	2	2	2	1	1	20	4.97
Stratton	1.1	1	0	0	0	1	14	2.76
laile	1.0	4	4	4	1	1	31	5.00

T: 3:57. A: 40,437 (45,494).

White Sox 14, Athletics 2

Chicago	AB	R	Н	BI	BB	SO	Avg
Andrus ss	5	3	2	2	0	2	.237
Garcia ss	1	0	0	0	0	0	.214
Moncada 3b	6	3	5	5	0	0	.211
Abreu 1b	4	0	2	0	0	1	.310
Sheets ph-1b	2	0	1	0	0	0	.251
Jimenez dh	5	2	1	2	1	2	.302
Pollock If	4	1	2	0	1	0	.242
Harrison 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0	.246
Vaughn rf	5	1	1	1	0	0	.283
Gonzalez 2b-lf	5	3	4	3	0	1	.339
Zavala c	4	1	2	0	1	0	.281
Engel cf	5	0	1	1	0	1	.228
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LOB: Chicago 9, Oakland 6. 2B: Zavala 2 (13), Gonzalez (3), Moncada (12), Pollock (24), Machin (6), Brown (23). HR: Andrus (8), off Sears: Moncada 2 (9), off Sears: Jimenez (11), off Logue; Gonzalez (2), off Logue. RBIs: Andrus 2 (30), Moncada 5 (45), Jimenez 2 (38), Engel (15), Vaughn (65), Gonzalez 3 (9), Langeliers (13), Neuse (26). SF: Langeliers.

Runners left in scoring position: Chicago 3
(Abreu, Garcia, Sheets); Oakland 2 (Vogt, Allen). RISP: Chicago 5 for 11; Oakland 0 for 6. Chicago IP H R ER BB SO NP ERA

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T: 3:16. A: 4,591 (46,847).

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ores dh	4	0				2	.239
ederson If	3	0	0	0	0	3	.265
strada 2b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.262
rawford ss	3	0	0	0	0	1	.226
illar 3b	3	0	1	0	0	2	.222
onzalez rf	3	0	0	0	0	0	.253
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San Francisco 001 000 000 - 1 3 0 Milwaukee 000 200 00x - 2 3 1 E: Burnes (2), LOB: San Francisco 2.

Milwaukee 2. 2B: Yastrzemski (26), Yelich (21), Renfroe (18), RBIs: Yastrzemski (45), Yelich (48), Renfroe (62). **SB:** Peterson (11). RISP: San Francisco 0 for 3; Milwaukee 2 for 4. San Francisco IP H R ER BB SO NP ERA S.Alexander 1.0 0 0 0 0 1 14 1.42 1.0 0 0 0 0 1 10 4.33

Tv.Rogers Milwaukee IP H R ER BB SO NP ERA Burnes, W, 8.0 3 1 1 0 14 100 2.93 10-6

Williams, S, 1.0 0 0 0 0 0 12 1.69 11-12

T: 2:20.

U.S. Open

At USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center; New York; Surface: Hardcourt outdoor; (seedings in

Women's Singles - Semifinals Ons Jabeur (5), Tunisia, def. Caroline

Garcia (17), France, 6-1, 6-3. Iga Swiatek (1), Poland, def. Arvna Sabalenka (6), Belarus, 3-6, 6-1, 6-4.

WNBA Playoffs

Semifinals; (Best-of-5) Connecticut vs. Chicago Connecticut wins series, 3-2

Game 1: Connecticut 68, Chicago 63 Game 2: Chicago 85, Connecticut 77 Game 3: Chicago 76, Connecticut 72 Game 4: Connecticut 104, Chicago 80 Game 5: Connecticut 72, Chicago 63 Seattle vs. Las Vegas

Las Vegas wins series, 3-1 Game 1: Seattle 76, Las Vegas 73

Game 2: Las Vegas 78, Seattle 73 Game 3: Las Vegas 110, Seattle 98, OT Game 4: Las Vegas 97, Seattle 92 Finals; (Best-of-5); x (if necessary) Las Vegas vs. Connecticut Sunday: at Las Vegas, 3pm Tuesday: at Las Vegas, 9pm Thursday: at Connecticut, 9pm Sunday, Sept. 16: at Connecticut, 4pm Tuesday, Sept. 20: at Las Vegas, 9pm

CFL

EAST	W	L	T	Pts	PF	PA
Toronto	6	5	0	12	264	258
Montreal	4	7	0	8	284	311
Ottawa	3	8	0	6	230	267
Hamilton	3	9	0	6	251	330
WEST	W	L	Т	Pts	PF	PA
140' '		-	_		210	220
Winnipeg	11	1	0	22	318	225
BC BC	8	2	0		318	_
		-	_	16	-	208
ВС	8	2	0	16 14	339	208 259
BC Calgary	8	2	0	16 14 12	339 323	208 259 279

two points for a win, one for a tie

Week Fourteen Friday

BC at Montreal, 7:30pm

Saturday

Toronto at Ottawa, 2pm Saskatchewan at Winnipeg, 5pm Calgary at Edmonton, 8pm

DNP: CB Lonnie Johnson (groin), CB Elijah Molden (groin), LB Chance Campbell (knee). Limited: T Jamarco Jones (triceps), LB Ola Adeniyi.

RAVENS AT JETS

BALTIMORE

DNP: DT Travis Jones (knee), T Ronnie Stanley (ankle), TE Nick Boyle (NIR-rest/ankle). Limited: RB J.K. Dobbins (knee), CB Marcus Peters (knee).

DNP: OL Duane Brown (shoulder), QB Zach Wilson (knee). **Limited:** OL George Fant (knee), OL Conor McDermott (ankle), DB D.J. Reed (knee). Full: DB Justin Hardee (calf).

BROWNS AT PANTHERS

CLEVELAND

DNP: CB Greedy Williams (hamstring). Limited: T Jack Conklin (knee), S Grant Delpit (hip), WR Mike Woods (hamstring). **Full:** CB A.J. Green (hip), S Ronnie Harrison (hamstring), T Christopher Hubbard (elbow) DE Isaiah Thomas (hand), DE Jadeveon Clowney (illness-knee), DE Chase Winovich (hamstring). CAROLINA

Limited: TE Giovanni Ricci (hip). Full: K Eddy Pineiro (left hip), RB Christian McCaffrey (shin).

PACKERS AT VIKINGS

GREEN BAY

DNP: WR Allen Lazard (ankle), TE Marcedes Lewis (NIRveteran rest). Limited: T David Bakhtiari (knee), G Elgton Jenkins (pectoral-knee), S Darnell Savage (hamstring), TE Robert Tonyan (knee). Full: K Mason Crosby (right knee), LB Tipa Galeai (elbow), C Jake Hanson (shoulder), S Dallin Leavitt (shoulder), T Yosh Nijman (knee), WR Christian Watson (knee).

MINNESOTA

DNP: RB Alexander Mattison (NIR-personal matter). Limited: DL Jonathan Bullard (bicep), SAF Lewis Cine (knee)

COLTS AT TEXANS

INDIANAPOLIS

Limited: T Dennis Kelly (knee). LB Sahquille Leonard (back). DNP: DE Rasheem Green (thigh),

DE Mario Addison (thigh).

JAGUARS AT COMMANDERS

JACKSONVILLE

Limited: DT Folorunso Fatukasi

WASHINGTON

DNP: S Kamren Curl (thumb). Limited: WR Cam Sims (concussion), TE Logan Thomas (knee), TE Cole Turner (hamstring). **Full:** TE John Bates (calf), DT Phidarian Mathis (ankle), G Trai Turner (quadricep).

CHIEFS AT CARDINALS

KANSAS CITY DNP: DE Frank Clark (illness). Full: DB Deon Bush (foot), DE Malik Herring (abdomen), G Trey Smith (shoulder), WR JuJu Smith-Schuster (knee), OL Darian Kinnard (elbow).

Arizona

DNP: C Rodney Hudson (NIR-resting player), CB Trayvon Mullen (toe), DE J.J. Watt (calf). Limited: DE Markus Golden (toe), TE Zach Ertz (calf), G Justin Pugh (neck), LB Zeke Turner (shoulder), RB Jonathan Ward (shoulder), OL Cody Ford (ankle), WR Rondale Moore (hamstring). Full: LS Aaron Brewer (ankle),

RAIDERS AT CHARGERS

LAS VEGAS

No injuries to report.

L.A. CHARGERS

DNP: DB J.C. Jackson (ankle), TE Donald Parham (hamstring). Full: RB Isaiah Spiller (ankle).

PATRIOTS AT DOLPHINS

NEW ENGLAND

Limited: WR Jakobi Meyers (knee), WR Ty Montgomery (knee), OT Isaiah Wynn (back), S Joshuah Bledsoe (groin).

MIAMI

Limited: RB Salvon Ahmed (heel), T Terron Armstead (NIRresting player), TE Tanner Conner (knee), FB Alec Ingold (hamstring), LB Melvin Ingram (NIR-resting player), CB Nik Needham (quadricep), S Eric Rowe (pectoral), LB Andrew Van Ginkel (NIR-resting player), DT Raekwon Davis (knee). Full: RRB Chase Edmonds (groin), RB Myles Gaskin (neck), WR Jaylen Waddle (quadricep).

SAINTS AT FALCONS

NEW ORLEANS

DNP: CB Paulson Adebo (ankle), T Tanner Owen (illness), WR Tre'Quan Smith (groin), RB Dwayne Washington (hamstring), T Landon Young (hip). **Limited:** S T.J Gray (hamstring), C Erik McCoy (calf), WR Michael Thomas (hamstring), LB Peter Werner (groin).

ATLANTA

DNP: TE Parker (NIR-personal matter). Limited: CB Darren Hall (quadricep), WR Drake London

EAGLES AT LIONS

PHILADELPHIA

Limited: CB Josiah Scott (hamstring). Full: DE Derek Barnett (rib), DT Javon Hargrave (toe), RB Miles Sanders (hamstring).

DETROIT

DNP: G Tommy Kraemer (back), DE Levi Onwuzurike (back), C Frank Ragnow (groin). Limited:CB Ifeatu Melifonwu (hamstring), LB Julian Okwara (hamstring) **Full:** DT John Cominsky (illness), LB Chris Board (knee), K Austin Seibert

STEELERS AT BENGALS

PITTSBURGH:

(right groin).

DNP: OL Chukwuma Okorafor (back), DT Cameron Heyward (NIR-coach's decision). Limited: WR Diontae Johnson (shoulder). Full: LB Marcus Allen (hamstring).

CINCINNATI **DNP:** TE Devin Asiasi

(quadricep). Limited: TE Mitchell Wilcox (ankle), WR Trent Taylor (hamstring). Full: TE Drew Sample (knee).

49ERS AT BEARS

SAN FRANCISCO

DNP: TE George Kittle (groin), OL Daniel Brunskill (hamstring). Limited: LB Dre Greenlaw. Full: DL Arik Armstead (knee), LB Oren Burks (knee), QB Jimmy Garoppolo (right shoulder), T Mike McGlinchey (knee). CHICAGO

DNP: WR Velus Jones (hamstring). Limited: DE Dominique Robinson (knee).

BUCCANEERS AT COWBOYS

TAMPA BAY

CB Zyon McCollum (hamstring). Limited: RB Giovani Bernard (ankle), S Mike Edwards (illness), WR Russell Gage (hamstring), S Logan Ryan (hamstring). **Full:** WR Julio Jones

Wirls (abdomen).

Limited: WR Michael Gallup (knee), CB Jourdan Lewis (hamstring), QB Dak Prescott (ankle).

MONDAY

BRONCOS AT SEAHAWKS

Limited: OLB Randy Gregory (shoulder/knee), KJ Hamler (knee/hip), ILB Josey Jewell (calf), OL Billy Turner (knee). Full: ILB Jonas Griffith (elbow). SEATTLE

(hernia), LS tyler Ott (shoulder), CB Artie Burns (groin), Alton Robinson (knee). Limited: T Jake Curha (elbow), G Damien Lewis (knee/ankle), CB Sidney Jones IV (concussion), LB Boye Mafe (shoulder), S Ryan Neal (ankle). Full: G Gabe Jackson (knee).

Bills 31, Rams 10

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Buffalo	7 3	7 14 - 31
L.A. Rams	0 10	0 0 - 10

First Quarter
Buf: Davis 26 pass from J.Allen (Bass kick), 9:56.

Lar: FG Gay 57, :00.

Third Quarter
Buf: McKenzie 7 pass from J.Allen
(Bass kick), 7:59.

(Bass kick), 9:25. **A:** 73.846.

Rushing: Buffalo, Allen 10-56, Singletary 8-48, Moss 6-15, Cook 1-2. L.A. Rams, Henderson 13-47, Powell 1-3, Stafford 1-2, Akers 3-0. Passing: Buffalo, Allen 26-31-2-297. L.A. Rams, Stafford 29-41-3-240. Receiving: Buffalo, Diggs 8-122, Moss 6-21, Davis 4-88, Crowder 3-28, McKenzie 2-19, Singletary 2-14, Knox

NFL **Thursday**

Buffalo 31, L.A. Rams 10

Sunday Baltimore at Jets, 1pm Giants at Tennessee, 4:25pm Cleveland at Carolina, 1pm

Indianapolis at Houston, 1pm Jacksonville at Washington, 1pm New England at Miami, 1pm New Orleans at Atlanta, 1pm Philadelphia at Detroit, 1pm Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 1pm San Francisco at Chicago, 1pm Green Bay at Minnesota, 4:25pm Kansas City at Arizona, 4:25pm Las Vegas at L.A. Chargers, 4:25pm Tampa Bay at Dallas, 8:20pm **Monday**

Denver at Seattle, 8:15pm

MLS						
EAST	W	L	D	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	17	4	9	60	63	21
CF Montréal	16	9	4	52	53	45
Red Bulls	13	9	8	47	45	36
NYCFC	13	10	7	46	51	38
Orlando City	12	10	6	42	35	40
Columbus	9	6	13	40	37	31
Cincinnati	9	8	12	39	48	49
New England	9	9	11	38	42	42
Inter Miami CF	10	12	6	36	35	46
Toronto FC	9	14	7	34	47	53
Atlanta	8	12	9	33	41	48
Charlotte FC	10	17	2	32	34	46
Chicago	8	13	8	32	28	38
D.C. United	7	17	5	26	32	59
WEST	w	L	D	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles FC	19	7	3	60	59	32
Austin FC	15	8	6	51	60	42
FC Dallas	12	8	10	46	43	33
Nashville	12	9	9	45	48	37
Minn. United	13	11	5	44	44	43
Real Salt Lake	11	9	9	42	38	38
Portland	10	8	12	42	49	47
LA Galaxy	11	11	6	39	46	42
Seattle FC	11	15	3	36	40	40
Vancouver	9	13	7	34	32	51

Note: 3 pts. for win, 1 for tie **Friday**

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Columbus at CF Montréal, 7:30pm

Saturday

Colorado

San Jose

Houston

Sporting K.C.

NYCFC at Charlotte FC, 1pm New England at Red Bulls, 6pm LA Galaxy at Nashville, 3:30pm Toronto FC at Atlanta, 7:30pm San Jose at Cincinnati, 7:30pm Orlando City at Philadelphia, 7:30pm Miami at Chicago, 8pm Austin FC at Seattle FC, 8pm Los Angeles FC at FC Dallas, 8:30pm Sporting K.C. at Houston, 8:30pm Vancouver at Colorado, 9:30pm D.C. United at Salt Lake, 9:30pm Minnesota at Portland, 10pm

Tuesday

Chicago at CF Montréal, 7:30pm Columbus at Miami, 8pm Los Angeles FC at Minnesota, 8pm D.C. United at Sporting K.C., 8:30pm New England at Houston, 8:30pm

Wednesday, September 14 Salt Lake at Austin FC, 9 a.m.

Atlanta at Orlando City, 6pm San Jose at Colorado, 10pm LA Galaxy at Vancouver, 10pm

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Crown in Japan

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SOLUTION IN SATURDAY'S POST

Golf

DP World Tour- BMW PGA Championship The Associated Press; At Wentworth Club Virginia Water; Surrey, England; Purse: \$8 million; Yardage: 7,267; Par: 72 First Round Suspended

Andy Sullivan	33-31	64	-8
Viktor Hovland	32-32	64	-8
Matthew Jordan,	34-31	65	-7
Shane Lowry	32-34	66	-6
Jason Scrivener	32-34	66	-6
Fabrizio Zanotti	33-33	66	-6
Marcus Armitage,	33-33	66	-6
David Law	32-35	67	-5
Matthieu Pavon	34-34	68	-4
Masahiro Kawamura	34-34	68	-4
Abraham Ancer	34-34	68	-4
Sami Valimaki	33-35	68	-4
Johannes Veerman	36-32	68	-4
Rafa Cabrera Bello	33-35	68	-4
Rory Mcilroy	34-34	68	-4
Billy Horschel	32-36	68	-4
Kurt Kitayama	32-36	68	-4
Bernd Wiesberger	32-36	68	-4
Soren Kieldsen	34-34	68	-4
Guido Migliozzi	34-34	68	-4
James Morrison	35-33	68	-4
Julien Guerrier	34-35	69	
David Drysdale	33-36	69	-3
Kristian Krogh Johannessen,	34-35	69	-3 -3 -3 -3 -3 -3 -3 -3 -3 -3 -3 -3
Oliver Bekker	34-35	69	-3
Scott Jamieson,	34-35	69	-3
Mayerick Antcliff	34-35	69	-3
Antoine Rozner	35-34	69	-3
Pablo Larrazabal	34-35	69	-3
Matt Fitzpatrick	36-33	69	-3
Hurly Long	34-35	69	-3
Daniel Gavins	34-35	69	-3
Grant Forrest	33-36	69	-3
Ian Poulter	35-34	69	-3
Callum Shinkwin	36-33	69	-3
Adrian Otaegui	33-36	69	-3
Julien Brun	33-36	69	-3
Marc Warren	34-35	69	-3
Romain Langasque	31-38	69	-3
Victor Dubuisson	34-35	69	-3
Connor Syme	35-34	69	-3
Lucas Herbert	36-33	69	-3
Tyrell Hatton	33-36	69	333333333333333333333333333333333333333
Adam Scott	35-34	69	-3
Thomas Diotors	34-35	69	-3

LPGA Tour- Kroger Oueen City Championship presented by P&G
At Kendale Course; Cincinnati; Purse: \$1.8

million; Yardage: 6,515; Par: 72 First Round

ΛΙΥ U LIII	34-30	04	-0
Nasa Hataoka	33-32	65	-7
Sarah Kemp	31-35	66	-6
A Lim Kim	32-34	66	-6
Hye Jin Choi	33-34	67	-5
Moriya Jutanugarn	33-34	67	-5
Sei Young Kim	34-33	67	-5
Katherine Perry-Hamski.	34-33	67	-5
Jasmine Suwannapura	33-34	67	-5

Soccer

UEFA Europa League Union St.-Gilloise 1, FC Union Berlin 0

Stade Rennais 2, AEK Larnaca 1 Arsenal 2, FC Zurich 1 Fenerbahce 2, Dynamo Kviv 1 Real Betis 2, HJK Helsinki 0 Ludogorets Razgrad 2 AS Roma 1 Braga 2, Malmo FF 0 PSV Eindhoven 1, Bodo/Glimt 1 Ferencyaros 3, Trabzonspor 2 Lazio 4, Feyenoord Rotterdam 2 Real Sociedad 1, Manchester United 0 Nantes 2, Olympiakos 1 Sherif Tiraspol 3, Omonia Nicosia 0 AS Monaco 1, Red Star Belgrade 0 SC Freiburg 2, FK Qarabag 1 SK Sturm Graz 1, FC Midtjylland 0 **UEFA Europa Conference League** Austria Vienna 0, Hapoel Be'er 0 CFR Cluj-Napoca 1, Ballkani 1 Fiorentina 1, Rigas Futbola Skola 1 Istanbul Basaksehir 4, Hearts 0

Villarreal 4, Lech Poznan 3 Nice 1, FC Cologne 1 FC Basel 3, Pyunik 1

AZ Alkmaar 1, SC Dnipro-1 0 West Ham United 3, FCSB 1 Slovan Bratislava 0, Zalgiris Vilnius 0 Slavia Prague 1. Sivasspor 1 Shamrock Rovers 0, Djurgardens IF 0

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September

DNP: WR Chris Godwin (knee), (NIR-resting player), T Tristan E

DENVER

DNP: RB Kenneth Walker III

Buffalo	7 :	3 7	14 —	31
L.A. Rams	0 1	0 0	0 —	10

Second Quarter

Buf: FG Bass 41, 8:48. Lar: Kupp 4 pass from Stafford (Gay kick), 3:00.

Fourth Quarter Buf: J.Allen 4 run (Bass kick), 13:27. Buf: Diggs 53 pass from J.Allen

Buf	LAR
First downs 23	19
Total Net Yards 413	243
Rushes-yards 25-121	18-52
Passing 292	191
Punt Returns 1-21	0-0
Kickoff Returns 0-0	4-67
Interceptions Ret 3-29	2-5
Comp-Att-Int 26-31-2	29-41-3
Sacked-Yards Lost 2-5	7-49
Punts 0-0.0	4-45.25
Fumbles-Lost 2-2	
Penalties-Yards 5-35	4-30

Individual Statistics

Time of Possession 31:14

1-5. L.A. Rams, Kupp 13-128, Higbee 5-39, Henderson 5-26, Skowronek 4-25, Al.Robinson 1-12, Powell 1-10.

The COT Line



	<u>MLB</u> Friday	
Favorite	Money Line	Underdog
YANKEES	-108-108	Rays
MARLINS	OFF	Mets
Giants	\$145-170	CUBS
Cardinals	\$165-200	PIRATES
ORIOLES	\$120-145	Red Sox
Blue Jays	\$135-165	RANGERS
BREWERS	\$125-150	Reds
TWINS	-105-115	Guardians
ASTROS	\$190-250	Angels
ROYALS	\$115-140	Tigers
ROCKIES	\$100-120	Diamondbacks
Dodgers	\$135-160	PADRES
White Sox	\$125-155	ATHLETICS
Braves	-105-115	MARINERS

Home team in CAPS

<u>College Football</u> Friday					
Favorite	PTS (O/U)	Underdog			
UCF	5.5 (61.5)	Louisville			
Boise State	17 (44.5)	NEW MEXICO			
	Saturday				
North Carolina	7.5 (64.5)	GEORGIA STATE			
Alabama	20 (65.5)	TEXAS			
MIAMI (FL.)	25 (51)	Southern Miss			
OHIO STATE	44.5 (68.5)	Arkansas State			
Wake Forest	12.5 (65.5)	VANDERBILT			
ARKANSAS	8 (53)	South Carolina			
NOTRE DAME	20.5 (50.)	Marshall			
TEXAS A&M	19 (54)	Appalachian State			
Tennessee	6 (67)	PITTSBURGH			
Memphis	6 (50.5)	NAVY			
WISCONSIN	17.5 (49)	Washington State			
PENN STATE	25.5 (54)	Ohio			
Utsa	2.5 (54.5)	ARMY			
N'WESTERN	10 (57.5)	Duke			
KANSAS STATE	7.5 (55.5)	Missouri			
CENTRAL MICHIGAN	5 (59.5)	South Alabama			
Western Michigan	6.5 (51.5)	BALL STATE			
Maryland	26.5 (65.5)	CHARLOTTE			
Memphis	6.5 (50.5)	NAVY			
AIR FORCE	17.5 (49.5)	Colorado			
IOWA	3.5 (40.5)	Iowa State			
MICHIGAN STATE	34.5 (56)	Akron			
TEXAS TECH	3.5 (63)	Houston			
Uab	6.5 (50.5)	LIBERTY			
LOUISIANA	11.5 (56.5)	Eastern Michigan			
OIZL ALLONAA	22 = /=2 =1	17			

33.5 (72.5)

Kent State

OKLAHOMA

NFL- Week 1						
Favorite	Sunday PTS (O/U)	Underdog				
TITANS	5.5 (43.5)	Giants				
Ravens	7 (44.5)	JETS				
Saints	5.5 (42.5)	FALCONS				
DOLPHINS	3.5 (45.5)	Patriots				
PANTHERS	1.5 (42)	Browns				
BENGALS	6.5 (44.5)	Steelers				
49ers	6.5 (40.5)	BEARS				
Eagles	4 (48.5)	LIONS				
Colts	7 (45.5)	TEXANS				
COMMANDERS	2.5 (43.5)	Jaguars				
Chiefs	6 (53.5)	CARDINALS				
CHARGERS	3.5 (52.5)	Raiders				
Packers	1.5 (47)	VIKINGS				
Buccaneers	2.5 (50.5)	COWBOYS				
	Monday					
Broncos	6.5 (44.5)	SEAHAWKS				
Home team in CAPS						

College Football					
	Saturday				
Favorite	PTS (0/U)	Underdog			
FLORIDA	6 (52.5)	Kentucky			
Usc	8.5 (67.5)	STANFORD			
OKLAHOMA STATE	11.5 (58)	Arizona State			
MICHIGAN	51.5 (67)	Hawaii			
BYU	3 (53.5)	Baylor			
ILLINOIS	4.5 (57.5)	Virginia			
CALIFORNIA	13 (48.5)	Unlv			
COLORADO STATE	11 (56.5)	Middle Tenn. State			
EAST CAROLINA	12.5 (51.5)	Old Dominion			
WEST VIRGINIA	13.5 (59.5)	Kansas			
Uab	6.5 (50.5)	LIBERTY			
TOLEDO	28.5 (49)	UMass			
Syracuse	23.5 (49)	UCONN			
TULSA	6.5 (62.5)	Northern Illinois			
TEXAS STATE	13.5 (59.5)	Florida International			
AUBURN	23 (48.5)	San Jose State			
NEBRASKA	23.5 (62.5)	Georgia Southern			
VIRGINIA TECH	2.5 (46)	Boston College			
UTEP	16.5 (45.5)	New Mexico State			
Oregon State	1 (61.5)	FRESNO STATE			
Mississippi State	10.5 (61)	ARIZONA			
Home team in CAPS					

	CFL- Week 14 Friday			
Favorite	PTS (0/U)	Underdog		
Вс	3 (53.5)	MONTREAL		
	Saturday			
Toronto	1.5 (47.5)	OTTAWA		
WINNIPEG	7.5 (44.5)	Saskatchewan		
Calgary	9.5 (49.5)	EDMONTON		
Home team in CAPS				

ACTION TOP PLAY

Louisville will take offense

By THOMAS CASALE actionnetwork.com

The Louisville Cardinals had high hopes entering the season with more than 80 percent of last year's production returning. Then they went out and laid an egg in the opener, losing to Syracuse 31-7.

I'm pretty high on Syracuse and thought the Orange were undervalued coming into the season, so I'm not surprised they won that game. But Louisville getting blown out was head scratching.

The final score was a bit misleading. Louisville turned the ball over three

times and totaled just seven points in four trips inside the Syracuse 40. I expect Louisville's offense to bounce back on Friday against Central Florida.

Louisville's team total for this game is set at 27.5. I think we're seeing some value here because of how the Cardinals' offense played in Week 1. That number was 30.5 heading into Syra-

In a game that should be high-scoring, I'll back Louisville to go over its team total.

THE PLAY: Louisville Over 27.5

Thomas Casale handicaps college football for Action Network.

Pitching Form

		(Game time)		2022		'22 vs (OPP	CAREER	LAST	3 STAR	ΓS
			W-L	ERA	*REC	W-L	ERA	vs OPP	W-L	IP	ERA
Rays	Rasmussen (R)		9-4	2.70	17-6	0-0	0.00	0-0	2-0	17.0	2.12
Yankees	Montas (R)	(7:05pm)	5-11	3.79	8-17	2-0	0.49	3-1	1-1	16.2	3.24
Mets	TBD		_	_	_	_	_	0.00	0-0	0.0	0.00
Marlins	Cabrera (R)	(6:40pm)	4-2	2.39	5-4	0-1	8.68	0-1	1-1	18.2	3.38
Braves	Morton (R)		7-5	4.01	14-12	_	_	5-3	1-0	16.2	3.78
Mariners	Ray (L)	(9:40pm)	12-8	3.45	17-10	_	_	1-2	3-0	19.2	0.46
Red Sox	Bello (R)		1-4	5.91	1-5	_	_	_	1-1	15.0	3.00
Orioles	Voth (R)	(7:05pm)	4-2	4.41	9-4	0-0	0.00	0-1	1-1	15.0	2.40
Blue Jays	Stripling (R)		7-4	3.03	12-7	0-0	9.00	0-0	2-1	18.0	3.50
Rangers	Dunning (R)	(8:05pm)	3-8	4.37	8-18	0-0	5.40	1-0	0-2	14.0	7.07
Guardians	Quantrill (R)		11-5	3.55	16-10	0-0	3.38	2-0	2-0	16.0	1.69
Twins	Bundy (R)	(8:10pm)	8-6	4.34	11-13	0-0	3.60	4-1	1-1	14.2	2.45
Tigers	Wentz (L)		0-1	8.10	1-1	_	_	_	0-1	6.2	8.10
Royals	Lynch (L)	(8:10pm)	4-9	4.82	9-13	0-0	6.00	1-1	0-1	14.2	6.75
Angels	Lorenzen (R)		6-6	4.94	6-7	0-2	15.63	0-2	0-3	11.0	13.09
Astros	McCullers Jr. (R)	(8:10pm)	2-1	2.08	2-2	1-0	3.18	5-4	1-1	15.2	2.87
White Sox	Giolito (R)		10-9	5.21	10-15	0-0	0.00	1-1	1-2	16.2	4.32
Athletics	Kaprielian (R)	(9:40pm)	3-9	4.79	11-11	1-0	1.50	1-0	0-2	13.1	8.10
Giants	Rodón (L)		12-7	2.92	13-14	1-0	0.00	2-2	1-1	17.0	3.18
Cubs	Smyly (L)	(4:05pm)	5-8	3.84	7-12	0-1	11.25	1-1	0-2	15.1	4.70
Cardinals	Mikolas (R)		11-10	3.32	17-11	1-0	1.46	5-4	1-1	19.0	3.32
Pirates	Contreras (R)	(6:35pm)	4-4	3.40	5-8	0-0	7.50	0-0	1-1	18.0	1.50
Nationals	Corbin (L)		6-17	6.28	6-21	0-2	18.00	6-7	2-1	18.1	1.96
Phillies	Syndergaard (R)	(7:05pm)	8-9	4.07	9-12	1-0	7.20	6-6	1-1	17.0	4.76
Reds	Lodolo (L)		3-5	3.94	7-7	0-0	5.79	0-0	0-1	18.1	3.44
Brewers	Alexander (R)	(8:10pm)	2-2	5.03	4-5	1-0	3.18	1-0	0-1	13.2	3.95
D'Backs	Davies (R)		2-4	3.74	10-12	0-0	1.65	4-3	0-0	16.0	2.25
Rockies	Márquez (R)	(8:40pm)	8-10	4.86	14-12	1-1	3.32	6-6	2-0	20.0	3.60
Dodgers	May (R)		1-2	3.94	1-2	0-1	10.80	1-4	1-2	16.0	3.94
Padres	Clevinger (R)	(9:40pm)	5-6	3.96	11-6	0-2	11.25	0-2	1-2	14.1	5.65

^{*} REC: Won-lost record of pitcher's team in games he has started.

STITCHES

Giants, Rodon club Cubs

The Giants visit the Cubs and I haven't been this excited since doing the macarena poolside. The Cubs' Drew Smyly was removed in the third inning after the Cards scored seven times in his last start. And the Giants jumped Drew for five runs over four back on July 30. Carlos Rodon goes for Frisco. Rodon blanked Philly for six innings in his latest, has lost once in his last seven starts and two-hit the Cubs back on July 31. Play 10 units on the Giants.

Old-Timers' Day in St. Louis. Adam

Wainwright and Yadier Molina, battery mates well before Queen Elizabeth took over the throne, made their 324th start together, tying the record set by the Tigers' Mickey Lolich and Bill Freehan.

The Cards led early but the pesky Nats ruined the day, while making our day by winning 11-6. Alex Call homered and had five RBIs. We picked Washington, arguably the worst team in baseball, on the right day. Win takes us to +1,360 heiniemanushs.

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Home Team Lineups HOME AWAY							
	TODAY Sept. 9	SAT Sept. 10	SUN Sept. 11	MON Sept. 12	TUE Sept. 13	WED Sept. 14	THU Sept. 15
Langues	Tampa Bay 7:05 Amazon WFAN 660 AM/ 101.9 FM	T.B. 1:05 YES WFAN	T.B. 1:35 YES WFAN	NO GAME	Bost. 7:10 YES WFAN	Bost. 7:10 YES WFAN	NO GAME
	Miami 6:40 SNY WCBS 880 AM	Mia. 6:10 PIX11 WCBS	Mia. 1:40 SNY WCBS	Cubs 7:10 SNY WCBS	Cubs 7:10 SNY WCBS	Cubs 7:10 SNY WCBS	Pitts. 7:20 Fox WCBS
RedBull	NO GAME	N.E. 6:00 MSG	NO GAME	NO GAME	NO GAME	NO GAME	NO GAME
	NO GAME	Char. 1:00 YES	NO GAME	NO GAME	NO GAME	Atlas 7:30	NO GAME

Sunday

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Sunday



Tennessee 4:25 p.m. TV- Fox WFAN (101.9 FM)



Baltimore 1:00 p.m. TV- CBS ESPN (98.7 FM)

Today	's Snor	ts on the Air	
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MLB	4 p.m.	Giants at Cubs	MLBN
	6:40 p.m.	Mets at Marlins SNY, WCBS	
	7:05 p.m.		Amazon,
		WFAN (660 AM/1	
Tennis	8 p.m.	Blue Jays at Rangers	MLBN
rennis	Noon	The U.S. Open, Doubles Champions	ESPN
	3 p.m. 7 p.m.	The U.S. Open, Semifinal The U.S. Open, Semifinal	ESPN
College	7:30 p.m.	Louisville at Central Florida	ESPN2
Football	9 p.m.	Boise State at New Mexico	CBSSN
		DP World Tour: The BMW PGA	CDSSIN
Golf	7 a.m.	Championship, 2nd Round	GOLF
		Champions Tour: The Ascension Ch	arity
	1 p.m.	Classic, 1st Round	GOLF
	4 n m	LPGA Tour: The Kroger Queen City	
	4 p.m.	Championship, 2nd Round	GOLF
	11 p.m.	Asian Tour: The Shinhan Donghae	
	11 þ.iii.	Open, 3rd Round	GOLF
Boxing	9 p.m.	ShoBox: The New Generation	SHC
Auto Racing		Formula 1: Italian Grand Prix	ESPNU
	<u>10:55 a.m.</u>		ESPN2
	_	NASCAR Camping World Truck Seri	es:
	3 p.m.	The Kansas Lottery 200, Playoffs –	
		Round of 10, Qualifying	USA
	5 p.m.	NASCAR Xfinity Series: The Kansas	IIC A
		Lottery 300, Qualifying NASCAR Camping World Truck Series	USA Tho
	7:30 p.m.	Kansas Lottery 200, Playoffs - Round of	of 10 USA
Soccer	7:30 p.m.	CPL: Edmonton at York United	FS2
JUCCCI	8 p.m.	Virginia Tech at Virginia	ACCN
	10 p.m.	Liga MX: Monterrey at Juarez	FS1
Horse		<u> </u>	
Racing	1 p.m.	Trackside Live	MSG+
High School Football	7 n m	St. Joseph Montvale (N.J.) at	
Football	<i>i</i> p.m.	Don Bosco Prep (N.J.)	MSG
	8 p.m.	Lake Gibson (Fla.) at Lehigh (Fla.)	ESPNU
Basketball	10 p.m.	Women's FIBA Exhibition:	
	10 p.111.	U.S. Red vs. U.S. White	FS2
Women's	6 p.m.	Wisconsin at Kentucky	ESPNU
College	•	•	
Volleyball	6 p.m.	Stanford vs. Penn State	BTN
	6 p.m.	Michigan State at North Carolina	ACCN
Managala	8:30 p.m.	Oregon at Minnesota	BTN
Women's	11 p.m.	NRL: Titans vs. Eels	FS2
Rugby	12:30 a.m.		
	(Sat.)	NRL: Broncos vs. Dragons	FS2
		AFL Women Premiership:	
AFL Footbal	12 a.m.	Collingwood at Geelong	FS2
	5a.m.	AFL Premiership Semifinal:	1 32
	(Sat.)	Fremantle at Collingwood	FS2
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ODDS & ENDS

U.S. OPEN

Men's semifinals **Friday**

Karen Khachanov vs. Casper Ruud MATCH WINNED

MAICH WINNER	2005
Khachanov	+160
Ruud	-200
SET 1 WINNER	ODDS
Khachanov	+120
Ruud	-165
SET 2 WINNER	ODDS
Khachanov	+125
Ruud	-175
SET BETTING	ODDS
Khachanov 3-0	+575
Khachanov 3-1	+550
Khachanov 3-2	+575
Ruud 3-0	+450
Ruud 3-1	+300
Ruud 3-2	+225

Carlos Alcaraz vs. Frances Tiafoe

MATCH WINNER	ODDS			
Alcaraz	-200			
Tiafoe	+160			
SET 1 WINNER	ODDS			
Alcaraz	-175			
Tiafoe	+125			
SET 2 WINNER	ODDS			
Alcaraz	-165			
Tiafoe	+120			
SET BETTING	ODDS			
Alcaraz 3-0	+225			
Alcaraz 3-1	+300			
Alcaraz 3-2	+450			
Tiafoe 3-0	+575			
Tiafoe 3-1	+525			
Tiafoe 3-2	+550			
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Saturday, Las Vegas			
FIGHTER	ODDS		
Khamzat Chimaev	-1200		
vs. Nate Diaz	+725		
Tony Ferguson	+240		
vs. Li Jingliang	-300		
Daniel Rodriguez	+170		
vs. Kevin Holland	-200		
Macy Chiasson	+150		
vs. Irene Aldana	-185		
Johnny Walker	+165		
vs. Ion Cutelaba	-200		
Julian Erosa	+185		
vs. Hakeem Dawodu	-225		
Anton Turkalj	+500		
vs. Jailton Almeida	-700		
Denis Tiuliulin	+110		
vs. Jamie Pickett	-135		
Christopher Barnett	+310		
vs. Jake Collier	-400		
Danyelle Wolf	+320		
vs. Norma Dumont	-400		
Heili Alateng	-175		
vs. Chad Anheliger	+145		
Elise Reed	+135		
vs. Melissa Martinez	-165		
Darian Weeks	-135		
vs. Yohan Lainesse	+110		

ACTION BET SMART

Look for this year's 'one QB away' team

By C JACKSON COWART actionnetwork.com

For much of the 21st century, there was essentially one way to win a Super Bowl: draft a franchise quarterback ... and wait.

Consider that from 2003-19, 15 of 17 Super Bowl winners were led by a quarterback they drafted - or, in Eli Manning's case, acquired on draft night. Drew Brees (2009 Saints) and Peyton Manning (2015 Broncos) both led a new team to a title, but only after serious injury abruptly ended their initial tenures.

The formula was simple: find a franchise quarterback, then build the roster around him. That works well if you draft a generational talent like Tom Brady, Peyton Manning, or Ben Roethlisberger, who combined to win nine of those 17 titles. Six of the remaining eight rings went to Brees, Aaron Rodgers, Eli Manning, Russell Wilson, and Patrick Mahomes all of whom are well on their way to Canton. And the two remaining outliers, Joe Flacco (2012) and Nick Foles (2017), posted historic postseason numbers to reward the teams that drafted them.

Then, something happened: teams started building their rosters first, then adding the quarterback later. And it worked right away.

We saw a glimpse of it with the Broncos, who reached two Super Bowls in Manning's fouryear run and won a title in his final season. We didn't see another quarterback of his caliber — or anything close — hit free agency until 2020, when Brady shockingly ended his 20year reign in New England.

Tampa Bay pounced, and the rest is history. What came next was obvious for those who saw the signs: the Buccaneers had an elite defense and loaded skill-position group but were saddled by turnover machine Jameis Winston, who consistently hindered this team's field position and scoring chances. They were, in essence, "one quarterback away.

It was the same story a year later, when the Rams spent two firstround picks to swap

Russell Wilson

starter Jared Goff for Pro Bowl passer Matthew Stafford. Los Angeles owned a Super Bowl roster with an erratic quarterback and was, in theory, an upgrade away from a title. Once again, the theory bore fruit.

That's the backdrop to this season, which follows one of the craziest summers of player movement in league history. Nine teams will enter the 2022 campaign with a new signal-caller, all of them hoping that their team is truly "one

quarterback away" from contention.

So who really fits the bill this season? The obvious candidate is the Broncos, who dealt one of the largest trade packages in NFL history to pry Wilson — who beat them in the 2014 Super Bowl from the Seahawks. This defense has long been title-worthy and ranked fourth in points allowed per drive (1.78) a year ago despite facing the fourth-most plays per drive (6.56). That's usually a function of a lethargic offense asking too much of its defense; sound familiar?

That QB development could come from within, too. The Bills were "one quarterback away" until Josh Allen elevated his game to an MVP level; now they're the Super Bowl favorites. Could the Dolphins be due for a similar bump? Tua Tagovailoa hasn't lived up to his original billing as a top-five pick, but he's in the perfect position to maximize

his talents in new head coach Mike McDaniel's offense — flanked by electric receivers, a dynamic run game and one of the league's most talent-rich defenses.

Be careful applying this theory to every team with a new quarterback. Matt Ryan is a major upgrade for the Colts, but this roster had plenty of issues by the end of last season beyond iust Carson Wentz. The Panthers

are among my sleeper teams this year, but even I can admit that Baker Mayfield likely isn't the guy to elevate a team from frisky to frightening. Ultimately, this is still a quarter-

backs' league, but that doesn't always mean grooming a homegrown talent like it once did. So as you're scanning for Super Bowl values ahead of Week 1, consider those teams that were "one quarterback away" entering

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this offseason. It could pay mas-

sive dividends right away.

W VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

Everything will come right in the fullness of time, so stop worrying about the wrong choices you've made and start planning all the right moves you will be making in the near future. The most important thing is that you are looking forwards, not back.

<u>C</u> LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

Don't worry if your get up and go gives up on you over the next few days. A full moon in the wellbeing area of your chart will put a damper on your energy levels but it's only temporary - you'll bounce back bigger and better than ever.

SCURFIG (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) **SCORPIO**

Do you end a relationship that has been useful to you in the past but is now holding you back, or do you persevere with it in the hope that it will come good again? Only you can decide but it may indeed be time to break free.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)

You are no stranger to making bold decisions but the full moon warns that any decisions you make today and over the weekend could rebound on you in unexpected ways. Unless you HAVE to act now it may be best to do nothing at all.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)

If you are on the move today you would be wise to take care. You don't have to stay at home and be boringly safe but you do have to be sensible about where you go and how you get there. Plan your route carefully before starting out.

AOUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

There is a danger you will go over the top emotionally today if you find out that someone has

Peekskill 9

been cheating or misleading you. It's okay to be angry but don't get so aggressive that innocent bystanders are put at risk too. Self-control is a must.

)(PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)

The approaching full moon threatens to disrupt areas of your life you thought were stable and secure. Resolve to stay calm and strive to find practical solutions to problems that could get seriously out of hand if you allow yourself to get overly emotional.

ARIES (March 21-April 20)

No matter how hard you work today and over the weekend something will disrupt your schedule and see to it that your progress is limited. Now you know that you can conserve your energy and not try so hard. Let others do the heavy lifting.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Don't get too anxious if you believe you have not received the recognition you deserve, because it is coming - it may just take a little longer than expected to arrive. The powers that be are well aware of what you can do, so why worry?

GEMINI (May 22-June 21) **GEMINI**

You will make some major changes over the next few days but you will also upset a few people. On the work front, especially, some of your colleagues may feel threatened by your desire to make a name for yourself ... but don't let that stop you.

CANCER (June 22-July 23) There is no point trying to keep your feelings to yourself over the next 24 hours because you won't be able to. The approaching full moon will play havoc with your emotions and it's unlikely you will be able to bottle them up for long.

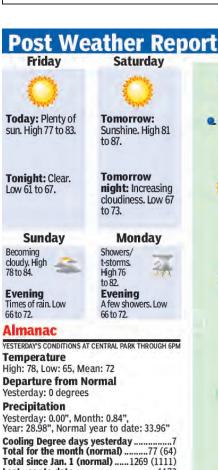
\(\int \text{LEO} \\ (\text{July 24-Aug. 23}) \) **LEO**

If someone you work or do business with gives you a hard time today your best course of action by far is to end your relationship with them. Don't just threaten to do it, because they won't believe you. Actions speak louder than words.

BIRTHDAY FRIDAY

Relationships of all kinds will be important this year but those where there is money at stake will be most important of all. Remind yourself often that you cannot afford to take anything for granted - act on the assumption that others WILL try to cheat you.

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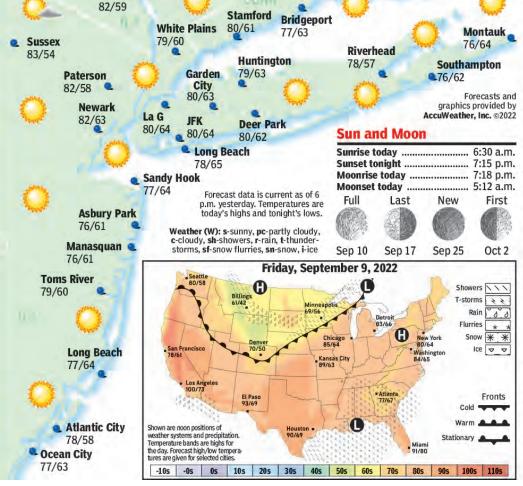


Last year to date

AQI rating: (for Fri.)

UV index (for Fri.) 6 (High) Humidity (at noon) 59%

Pollen: Moderate Predominant pollen: Grasses



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High Tide for	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	
Coney Island	7:29a	7:50p	8:18a	8:37p	
Fire Island	7:27a	7:58p	8:19a	8:45p	
Hempstead	11:27a	11:47p	12:13p		
Huntington	11:14a	11:35p	12:02p		
Jones Inlet	7:13a	7:34p	8:02a	8:21p	
Montauk Point	8:25a	8:52p	9:14a	9:40p	
Port Washington	11:35a	11:55p	12:22p		
Sandy Hook	7:33a	7:54p	8:22a	8:41p	
Regional cities	TO	DAY	TOMO	RROW	
Albany	82/	57/s	82/6	0/s	
Danbury	82/	57/s	86/6	1/s	
Glens Falls	80/	53/s	82/5	8/s	
Gr Barrington	81/	57/s	81/6	0/s	
Kingston	83/	58/s	84/6	1/s	
Liberty	78/	55/s	78/59/pc		
Monticello	79/	79/55/s		7/pc	
Newburgh	83/58/s		85/62/s		
Poughkeepsie	83/	56/s	85/6	2/s	
Saratoga Springs	82/	57/s	83/59/s		
Stroudsburg	82/	55/s	81/61/pc		
Torrington	79/58/s		82/61/s		
Syracuse	83/	60/s	85/63/pc		
World cities	TO	DAY	томо	RROW	
Athens	88/7		90/76/s		
Baghdad		/82/s	111/78/s		
Beijing		54/pc	89/6		
Berlin	72/5		70/5		
Cairo	94/7		94/7		
Dublin		1/sh	65/5		
Geneva		54/pc	68/5		
Hong Kong		30/pc	89/8		
Jerusalem Kabul	89/6		88/6		
London	86/6		86/6		
Madrid	68/5 87/6		69/5 91/6		
Mexico City	73/5		75/5		
Montreal	82/6		83/6		
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Sydney

Rio de Janeiro

FRIDAY — 6:40, SNY TBD vs. RHP Edward Cabrera (4-2, 2.39)

SATURDAY — 6:10, PIX11

TBD vs. RHP Pablo Lopez (8-9, 3.66)

SUNDAY — 1:40, SNY TBD vs. LHP Jesus Luzardo (3-6, 3-36)

All games on WCBS (880 AM)

INSIDE THE MATCHUPS

METS: Max Scherzer was on track to start Friday's series opener before being placed Thursday on the 15-day injured list with left side irritation. While manager Buck Showalter said the team doesn't expect one of its aces to miss more than a start or two, he had vet to name Friday's starter.

MARLINS: Cabrera, a 24-year-old rookie, has shined in his nine big-league starts this year. On Saturday, he bounced back from his second poor outing of the year (six runs over 5 ²/₃ innings vs. the Dodgers on Aug. 28) to scatter four hits and three walks over five innings, allowing just one run during a loss in Atlanta.

STAT SO?

METS: Jeff McNeil's rise to top-three batting average in the National League (.318) has been buoyed by a .350 clip at the plate since the All-Star break, the highest mark by an NL player with at least 100 at-bats through Wednesday.

MARLINS: Second baseman Jon Berti currently leads the majors with 32 stolen bases, but the NL is at risk of going a fourth consecutive season without a player with 40 stolen bases.

Backstop's here

By MARK W. SANCHEZ

The Mets have remained at the top recently by relying on the bottom (of the lineup).

While much of the lineup has struggled, their Nos. 7-8-9 hitters have come through in the past week.

METS NOTES

James McCann is finally showing signs of the bat that made the Mets lock up the catcher on a four-year deal. Eduardo Escobar is riding a six-game hitting streak and playing his best baseball of the season. Tyler Naquin and Mark Canha — when he's down in the order — have swung better and helped lengthen the lineup.

During Wednesday's double-header in Pittsburgh, the Mets received a total of 12 hits from the bottom three spots in their lineup. From the start of September through the end of the double-header, the Mets' .971 OPS from their seventh, eighth and ninth hitters was second-best in baseball, behind only the Rays' bottom three.

"If, one through nine, anyone can hurt you, it makes it extremely tough to navigate a lineup," McCann said after going 1-for-3 with two walks Wednesday. "Especially when 7, 8, 9 is getting on base like we were. A lot of RBI guys have multiple chances to drive guys in — that makes it extremely tough."

Among the lower-down hitters, McCann's emergence could prove the largest. With the White Sox, McCann was a 2019 All-Star and



MCCANN CAN: Catcher James McCann, who has largely struggled since signing a four-year deal with the Mets last offseason, credits renewed health for his recent success at the plate.

Noah K. Murray

2020 slugger (seven home runs in 31 games), which he used to land a long-term pact with the Mets.

He did not hit last season, and the 32-year-old's 2022 has been a mess. Surgery to address a broken hamate bone in his left wrist cost him nearly seven weeks in May and June, before an oblique strain cost him almost four weeks in July and early August.

In between those injured list

stints, there was little offensive production. McCann said the biggest difference in his swing right now is health.

"Everything I've been working on is finally getting to that point where I want to be," said the catcher, who is batting .201 with a pair of homers this year but has looked much better since returning from the IL. "Unfortunately how the season has gone for me is

I've had starts and stops, start, stop. It's been a grind to get that groove. That's what I've been able to get the past couple weeks."

The same can be said for Escobar, who had fallen into a platoon role at third base with first Luis Guillorme and then Brett Baty. The 33-year-old has been excellent since returning from an oblique strain in late August and is batting .526 in his past six games with three home runs.

Add in the recent stroke of Naquin, who is 5-for-ll in his past three games, and the bottom of the order has come alive.

"We knew that they're good hitters. It's just a matter of them clicking," Francisco Lindor said Wednesday. "They're having their moment right now."

➤ McCann was named the Mets' nominee for the Roberto Clemente Award, which goes to the player who "best represents the game of Baseball through extraordinary character, community involvement, philanthropy and positive contributions, both on and off the field."

Each team nominates one player for the league-wide award.

McCann, a first-time nominee, has helped families with children receiving care in the Newborn Intensive Care Unit. In June, McCann visited Cohen Children's Medical Center in Queens, then donated a suite to a Mets game to nurses he met on the visit.

McCann and his wife, Jessica, have a pair of twins who spent their first seven weeks in the NICU.

MLB likely to approve shift ban, other changes

By JARED SCHWARTZ

Dramatic changes are coming to Major League Baseball.

Long-discussed as possibilities, and likelihoods, in the near future, various new rules — most notably a ban on defensive shifts, a pitch clock and larger bases — are expected to be approved on Friday, a person familiar with the situation confirmed to The Post. The changes will be set to take effect for the 2023 season.

The Athletic first reported the expected approval.
As part of the new collec-

As part of the new collective bargaining agreement between MLB and the MLB Players Association arrived

at last offseason, a newly formed, ll-person competition committee will vote on the rule proposals.

MLB, however, has six seats on the committee to the MLBPA's four, while an umpire representative makes up the final spot. With the majority, MLB would be able to push through and implement the changes, regardless of the union's sentiment.

It's not immediately clear how the MLBPA representatives plan to vote.

Under the proposed rules, a minimum of four players, not including the pitcher and catcher, will be required to have both feet entirely in the infield dirt, and two

fielders will be required to have both feet entirely on either side of second base. Most importantly, it will eliminate the standard shift for many pull-hitting lefty hitters, which saw teams employ three fielders, one of which was deep in the outfield grass, on the first-base side of second base.

Further, teams will have to designate two players to play on each side of second base throughout the game, prohibited from changing sides unless there is a substitution.

If teams violate the shift ban, the umpire will grant the batter one ball, and the ball in play will be dead, unless the batter reaches base. If the batter does not reach base, the batting team's manager will have the option of choosing to have the play stand or not.

Once play is ready, pitchers will have 15 seconds to start their motion with the bases empty, and 20 seconds with runners on base. Similarly, catchers will have to be in the catcher's box with at least nine seconds left on the pitch clock, while the batter must have both feet set in the batter's box by eight seconds. Besides inning changes, there will be a 30-second clock in between hitters.

Experimented with in the minor leagues, a pitch clock reduced nine-inning games by 26 minutes — from 3:04 to 2:38 — in 2022 compared

to 2021. The implementation also improved what most would prefer in terms of action, increasing collective batting averages while decreasing strikeouts and walks.

A pitcher will be penalized one ball for violating the clock, while batters will be penalized one strike for breaking their respective requirements.

Bases, which are currently 15 inches square, will be increased to 18 inches.

Teams will be allowed to challenge potential violations of the shift ban, but will not be able to challenge or ask for review of potential pitch-clock violations.

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HIS is going to be one for history at Arthur Ashe Stadium on Friday afternoon.

When the men's semifinal match between Frances Tiafoe and Carlos Alcaraz is over, either Tiafoe will continue his drive to become the first American to win the U.S. Open since 2003 or the 19-year-old Alcaraz will continue his bid to become the youngest man to win this Grand Slam tournament since 1990.

It should be electric out there, all right, the match between charismatic, athletic, passionate players who are living proof, and in technicolor, that yes, indeed, there is life on the tour after the Big Three. It should be electric as the future plays out right before our very eyes.

There have been 74 majors played since American Andy Roddick emerged with a straight-sets victory over Juan Carlos Ferrero in the finals at Flushing Meadows 19 years ago. There have been false starts and false idols presented to a hometown audience that has otherwise seemed perfectly

fine with adopting Roger Federer as an honorary naturalized citizen.

Tiafoe, the 24-year-old, seems legit. He has not come out of nowhere, even if it might seem so. He has competed here since 2014, when he received a wild-card entry

into the draw at age 16 and has been on the precipice since he forced Federer to five sets in the first round in 2017.

Subsequently, he made two trips to the second round and two to the Round of 16, not necessarily failures, but not representative of championship timber. But now this. Now this run, which has featured a victory over Rafael Nadal on Monday in the fourth

round and a straight-setter over Andrey Rublev on Wednesday in the quarterfinals. Now this run, which has transformed Ti-

afoe — the first U.S.-born black man to reach the Open semis since Arthur Ashe himself in 1972 — into the Great American Hope.

And it has turned this match against Spain's Alcaraz into the most significant Grand Slam match

involving an American since the 2009 final at Wimbledon, in which Federer outlasted Roddick in a 16-14 fifth set.

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"I think all the American guys are pushing each other," Tiafoe said after taking out ninth-seed Rublev. "You see [Taylor] Fritz won Indian Wells this year. Reilly [Opelka] made finals of Toronto last year. Me and Fritz had a great run at Wimbledon. [He]

could have made semis there [but] a tough one with Rafa. Heartbreaker.

"You know, I just so happen to be the guy doing the run right now. I'm sure come next year in the slams, they will be doing just exactly the same. Everyone is super capable. American tennis is in a great place.

"We are all starting to really get into our primes. And we will see where that takes us."

Tiafoe will have home-court advantage over Alcaraz, a most popular player in his own right. Tiafoe also will have at least a full half-day of rest more than his teenage opponent, who did not get off the court until 2:50 a.m. on Thursday following his classic five-set, 5-hour I5-minute quarterfinal victory over Jannik Sinner.

Alcaraz is the youngest men's semifinalist at Flushing Meadows since Pete Sampras won the Open at 19 years and 28 days in 1990. If he wins the tournament, he will

A tennis lodestar for young black males

By BRIAN LEWIS

Frances Tiafoe's run to the men's semifinals at the U.S. Open is a huge deal, but his Cinderfella story is even bigger than just him.

When Tiafoe takes the Arthur Ashe Stadium court Friday night to face Carlos Alcaraz, he'll be the first African-American man to get this deep in the Open since Ashe himself 50 years ago. The impact of the moment may not take another half-century to be felt, as it provides a beacon for other young black men to follow.

"It's not really [pressure]," Tiafoe said. "Every time I win, I just want to inspire a bunch of people to just know that you can. I mean, anything is possible.

"For me do this and talk about how I feel about being in the U.S. Open from my come-up is crazy. At the end of the day I love that because of Frances Tiafoe there's a lot of people of color playing tennis. That's obviously a goal for me. That's why I'm out here trying

It hasn't been easy, or simple. But it has been compelling and captivating, a story that has drawn fans to Tiafoe. And it's his game, style and megawatt smile that will likely draw followers down the line.

The son of immigrants who fled the Sierra Leone civil war in the 1990s. Tiafoe lived in a room in the Maryland tennis center his janitor father helped build, sleeping on a table. Tiafoe isn't an overnight sensation, it just seems that way.

"I first met Francis when he was 6 years old. I was a coach at the Junior Tennis Champion Center for four years so I met him and his parents and his twin brother Franklin," USTA president of development Martin Blackman told The Post. "Even at that time, at the beginning, he had a love for tennis. ... His racket was almost as tall as he was. He was always watching tennis, a student. That passion was there."

The Williams sisters helped draw the likes of Coco Gauff to the sport. Tiafoe has had NBA star Bradley Beal coming to cheer him on in his quarterfinal win over Rafael Nadal, and LeBron James tweeting at him, so his cool points can appeal to black youth.

"Ît's a big deal," Blackman said. "Because kids have a lot of things to choose when it comes to sports. They're going to gravitate to someone who they think is cool ... and Frances is cool.

'So the opportunity with Frances is a big one, and we've got to capitalize."

From diet to mentality to putting a solid team behind him, Tiafoe has blossomed from prospect to professional.

"The last couple of years his commitment has gone to another level and his discipline," Blackman said. "Throughout the summer there were some close matches that he lost. ... He learned from those and really put it into action."

And the Flushing Meadows crowd has responded to the ebullient Tiafoe, perhaps as much as to any American player here this year.

"That's love, man. I really appreciate that," Tiafoe said. "That stuff gets me emotional, for sure. Seeing people screaming your name, just loving what you're doing. That's awesome. That's what it's all about. Everyone loves a Cinderella story: Just trying to make

become the youngest No. 1 in ATP world rankings history (since 1973), at 19 years and 128 days.

"It's going to be really, really tough," Alcaraz said in the wee hours. "Frances, everybody know the level of Frances. He has beaten Rafa Nadal, Rublev in three sets. He's playing unbelievable right now. High confidence.

"He loves the crowd. He loves this court. I'm going to have to put my best. ... I have a day of rest to think about the semifinal."

Tiafoe's story is both uniquely personal and collectively common through the American tapestry. He hails from parents who met in the United States after they emigrated from Sierra Leone in West Africa in the 1990s. The steps climbed by Tiafoe throughout his journey to the semis and have not been gilded.

"I mean, anybody can do it, honestly," Tiafoe said.

"If you are truly, truly passionate about something, I think anything can happen, and being just obsessed with it. Right now I'm just really obsessed with tennis, and I want to see how far I can go with this thing."

Tennis does not need an American male at the top to thrive on a global scale. The extended era of the Big Three should be evidence enough of that. But it sure doesn't hurt the business of tennis in this country for an American or three to be consistent contenders at the majors.

And it sure doesn't hurt to have someone as charismatic as Tiafoe — who practices wearing a 76ers jersey and is conversant in the social media language of the day — as one of those contenders.

On Friday, Tiafoe will continue his run at history.

And so will Alcaraz. Play!

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Loo break sparks Open rally for No. 1 Swiatek

By BRIAN LEWIS

Ons Jabeur rolled into the U.S. Ópen women's final Thursday night, while Iga Swiatek had to rally to get there, a comeback befitting the No. 1 women's player in the world.

Swiatek seemed on the brink of defeat before storming back to win the last four games and beat Aryna Sabalenka 3-6, 6-1, 6-4. The topseeded Pole bounced back after losing the first set, then after falling behind 4-2 in the third, she fought back to claim 16 of the final 20 points.

"Honestly I knew I had nothing to lose, basically. Aryna served really well, better than our other matches. Mentally these two games I lost helped me get back on ground," the 21-year-old Swiatek said. "I backed out a little bit on the return, but I just went all-in and the balls I played went in.

"I feel like my level of trust should be for sure higher, but I'm the person who is not yet trusting myself. I feel like I trust myself on clay, and here I tried to accept I am still not trusting myself and have to prove myself against heavy hitters. I don't care. It's not

like it's a negative. Having doubts is nice, not but found pretty motivating."

It's stunning admission considering Swiatek has been dominant as the world's top player this year, reeling off 37 straight

wins at one point and winning six titles. But after losing the first set Thursday, a quick trip to the locker room for a bathroom break helped her reverse the momentum.

"I needed to get it together," Swiatek said.

When asked what she told herself to get going, she quipped: "It was more what I did. I felt lighter. Sorry, that's disgusting.

But Swiatek did acknowl-



SPLIT DECISION: Top-seeded Iga Swiatek stretches for a shot during her rally to a three-set win over Aryana Sabalenka in the U.S. Open semifinals Thursday night. Swiatek will face Ons Jabeur in the final on Saturday.

edge that she has gotten mentally tougher and is in a better headspace than she was earlier in her career, and that helped her gut out a tough victory.

"When I was younger all I could do in bathroom when I was down was cry," Swiatek said. "This time I can actually think about what to change, problem solve."

The sixth-seeded Sabalenka fell to 0-3 in Grand Slam semifinals.

Swiatek, who won the French Open this spring, will take on the fifth-seeded Jabeur look-

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TODAY'S FEATURED MATCHES

> Arthur Ashe Stadium. Men's singles

> > 3 p.m.

Karen Khachanov (27) vs. Casper Ruud (5)

7 p.m.

Carlos Alcaraz (3) vs. Frances Tiafoe (22)

TODAY'S TV SCHEDULE

Noon-2 p.m., ESPN2 3-11 p.m., ESPN

> 6-1, 6-3. The Tunisian is the first African or Arab woman to reach the final at Flushing Meadows in the Open Era.

> "I'm definitely going to learn from all the finals I played, especially the last one at Wimbledon," Jabeur said. "I'm going to give it all, definitely going for the title.

"[It] feels more real, to be honest with you. At Wimbledon I was just living the dream, and I couldn't believe it.... But now I hope I'm getting used to it. [I'm] just happy I backed up the results in Wimbledon and people are not really surprised I'm in the finals.'

Jabeur snapped her French 13-match winning streak (which included a quarterfinal victory over American Coco Gauff) and improved to 6-0 in semifinals this year.

"I don't have a good record with quarters; but now the semis, we're very good buddies," Jabuer said with a chuckle. "Apparently I like playing finals.

"I remember saying that I want to be a top 5, I wanted to win a Grand Slam [tournament], and I wanted to qualify for the Masters. ... Check. Check. There's one more [I'm] going to check hopefully soon.

Jabeur broke Garcia right out of the gate.

The 17th-seeded Garcia had lost consecutive games just once this entire tourney, and hadn't even faced a set point, much less dropped one. But Jabeur broke her three times in a first set in which Garcia look skittish. with 14 unforced errors.

Now Jabeur will face Swiatek to cap her U.S. Open run, which is a big enough deal back home that soccermad Tunisia tuned into her quarterfinal Tuesday instead of Paris Saint-Germaine's Champions League win over Iuventus.

"In Tunisia it's all about soccer. But people were not watching the game, they were watching my game, which is impressive to me," Jabeur said. "I was surprised."

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ASTOUNDING AGAIN

By MARC BERMAN

The big mystery is what flamboyantly colored suit Walt Frazier will don Friday night when he gives his induction speech in Springfield, Mass.

For a second time, Frazier, known for his loud suits and large vocabulary, is being enshrined into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. Already enshrined as a player, the Knicks legend is now going in as a broadcaster as this year's winner of the Curt Gowdy Award.

The 77-year-old former Knicks guard never lost his touch with headphones on, starting out in 1987 on radio. Friday's Hall festivities commence at 8 p.m. on

"I loved his creativity and style of dress," Frazier's former Knicks broadcast partner Gus Johnson told The Post. "I couldn't wear a nice suit because everyone is looking at Clyde and nobody would see me."

Johnson, who did Knicks radio and TV in the late 1990s and from 2004 to 2010, said he borrows phrases from Frazier.

"What made Walt so special is he was so creative on the court, and his broadcasts were the same," said Johnson, now with Fox Sports and TNT. "He became a wordsmith. I still use some of his phrases — 'swishing and dishing' and 'inauspicious start.' He made it fun through all the losing. Because it could be a grind."

Current partner Mike Breen will be on hand Friday along with sideline reporter Rebecca Haarlow and MSG Network production crew members, led by producer/director Howie Singer and Spencer Julien. It's unclear whether Knicks president Leon Rose or senior vice president

Second Hall induction, this time for broadcasting, suits Clyde

anyone else who can pull off

Breen and Frazier have worked what he does with the rhymside by side for nearly 25 ing. No one." years, first on radio. Former Knicks su-"When Walt was a perstar guard Earl player, he was a Hall of Famer because of how hard he worked," said Breen, inducted in 2021. "Same thing as a broadcaster. He doesn't just wing it. And I think

William Wesley will make it.

Monroe shared the backcourt Frazier 50 years ago, when the franchise marched to its last championship in 1972-73. "Earl The Pearl" he's better now than he's ever been. It's more than never saw a future his vocabulary."
"He doesn't just want to broadcaster in the locker room, sayteach basketball. He wants ing Frazier to entertain them too. And I

was "kind of quiet."

"I didn't think of Clyde as a Hall of Fame broadcaster," Monroe said. "He understood the game, knew it well. It was a different time - players weren't out there like today. But he took off by doing things his way. Probably the reason he's a Hall of Fame broadcaster is because he did it his way. He mesmerized people how he called the game."

Monroe laughed, knowing he had just used a word that's one of Frazier's favorites: "mesmerized.'

"See how it catches on," Monroe said, chuckling.

Jeff Van Gundy, the former Knicks coach who has turned into an elite broadcaster, didn't have a lot of chit-chat with Frazier during their time together. Frazier told The Post recently he purposely tried to not befriend coaches or players despite traveling with them so he can be objective enough

> had to. "I had very little interaction when I was coach," Van Gundy said. "But that now I'm iust a fan, Í truly

to criticize when he

Knicks and league-related. There is no better team in NBA broadcasting than Breen and Walt."

Crispino, longtime Knicks radio broadcaster who filled in often on TV, said Frazier was a joy to work with.

"One of the best three partners I've ever worked with — Bob Cousy, John Andariese and Walt," Crispino said. "All exhibited class, dignity, respect and fairness in the broadcast. Clyde was my favorite Knick because of his cool under pressure as a player, and that translated with his understanding of the game and communicating its nuances to listeners and viewers.'

Marv Albert, Frazier's first TV partner, told The Post recently 'Clyde" became a star because he "became more opinionated in recent years."

"He's really come a long way," Albert said. "Again, he's not afraid to give his opinion. Not that he's taking shots, but if he thinks a player erred defensively, he points it out because he was such a good defender."

In an exclusive interview with The Post after the announcement, Frazier estimated he'll probably go another three seasons — which would bring him to the age of 80. But he will cut back on road trips because of a bad back.

Frazier was laying low this week, saving his gems for the speech. But the Knicks have three more years of "Clyde" the best thing the organization has going for it.

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Frazier, a Hall of Fame guard after winning two championships with the Knicks, receives the honor for a second time as this year's winner of the Curt Gowdy Award.

POSTING AND TOASTING: Walt "Clyde"

Boone hopeful both Stanton, Rizzo fully return soon

By GREG JOYCE

The Yankees are hoping to at least get one big bat back during this weekend's showdown against the Rays after a cameo on Thursday night.

Giancarlo Stanton was out of the starting lineup for a third straight game on Thursday, still feeling the effects of fouling a ball off his foot on Monday, but was able to pinch hit in the eighth inning of a 4-3 loss to the Twins.

With the tying run on third, Stanton worked a nine-pitch

at-bat before striking out against left-handed reliever Caleb Thielbar.

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"I thought he had a great atbat tonight," manager Aaron Boone said. "I thought that was different right there. Just missed a handful [of pitches]. ... Tonight was encouraging to see him have that level of at-bat."

Still, Boone was not sure whether Stanton — who is now 4-for-39 (.103) with no extra-base hits since returning from the IL with left Achilles tendinitis — would

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jump right back into the starting lineup on Friday.
"We'll see," Boone said.

"We'll see how he bounces back, how he comes in [Fri-

Anthony Rizzo, meanwhile, remained at home on Thursday in the second day of having no activity to treat his headaches that may have stemmed from the epidural he received last week to treat his lower back issues.

"When he starts to get up and move around [Friday], if the headaches are gone, then it's a situation where we could start ramping him up," Boone said.

The Yankees placed Rizzo on the IL on Tuesday, but because it was retroactive to Saturday, he would be eligible to be activated in time for the team's series beginning next Tuesday against the Red Sox.

The Yankees are still determining the next step for Luis Severino (right lat strain) after he made his second rehab start Wednesday with Double-A Hartford, throwing four innings on 45 pitches.

Severino could either make one more rehab start, to build up his workload further, or slot in against the Red Sox next week in Boston. The Yankees have some flexibility with their rotation with off days set for Monday, Thursday and Sept. 19.

"He's doing well," Boone said. "I watched his outing, I thought he threw the ball

well. ... We'll talk about that over the next couple days. But it's possible he could be back for that [Red Sox series]."

> Isiah Kiner-Falefa started at third base for a third straight game Thursday, with Josh Donaldson remaining on the paternity list. Donaldson is expected to be back by Saturday, but in the meantime, Kiner-Falefa returned to the position where he won a Gold Glove in 2020 with Oswald Peraza filling in at shortstop.

Time to forgive PSL debt

HERO AMONG ZEROES

Phil Mushnick

HUS far he has escaped all punishment. No suspensions, no disciplinary action of any kind. He might even get away with it.
The perp's name is Patrick

McMorris. He's a senior safety for San Diego State majoring in, of all things, criminal justice. What he did Saturday against Arizona, by current standards, remains scandalous: a brazen act of human compassion in broad daylight.

As too briefly seen on CBS, McMorris, after helping tackle wide receiver Jacob Cowing, shamelessly extended an arm to lift Cowing to his feet in flagrant disregard of the latter-day Street Cred Code. Even with officials right there, no flag was thrown!

Such antiquated sportsmanship was ignored by CBS, which renewed TV's empty-headed habit of presenting replays, often in slow motion, of players in demonstrations of self-aggrandizement, regardless of the score.

To that end — emphasis on end — the next day LSU star defensive lineman Maason Smith became the latest in a series of the needlessly disabled. He was lost for the season, tearing his ACL jumping to celebrate a tackle against Florida State.

But the entire week seemed a sprint backward. At the close of another week of racing to the rear, McMorris represented the vastly underrepresented.

Here in New York, populated by those once flattered as the world's most sophisticated sports fans and media, 40-year-old reprobate Serena Williams — the most maladjusted, graceless, petulant, self-enti-



THAT'S HOW YOU PLAY: San Diego State's Patrick McMorris (left) showed how sportsmanship works, helping up an opposing Arizoná player during their game last week. Getty Images

tled and vulgar recalcitrant in the history of women's tennis — was ordained by media and assembled "tennis fans" as both the most peerless player and noblewoman.

That piles of hard evidence existed to the indisputable contrary of the latter not only was ignored by ESPN's expert, seasoned commentators, they supported their blind flatteries and gushing with broad, unsupported testimonies to her across-the-board virtue.

And if the media were nauseating, so too were the legions in attendance whose sense of tennis was to unashamedly cheer when her three opponents committed errors, including double faults.

What did they tell the young and impressionable in their lives upon arriving home? "We tried to make things as miserable and impossible for Serena's opponent! We acted like obnoxious 12-year-olds! We behaved like creeps!"

"What's that? What did we know about her opponents? Good people? Bad people? Did they ever threaten a linesman with, 'I swear to God, I'll take this f--king ball and shove it down your f--king throat!'? Who knows? Who cares?"

She's the best thing to ever hap-

pen to women's tennis!

What happened to the sports in our sports? Why has it now infected women's sports?

In July, attention-starved, vulgar captain Megan Rapinoe - who chose World Cup stages to be demonstrably anti-American — was awarded the nation's highest civilian honor, the Medal of Freedom, by President Biden.

Williams stayed true to her rottenwinner, worse-loser career character to the end, offering a quick, insincere handshake to winner, Aila Tomljanovic - who displayed extraordinary grace, determination patience and talent though vilified by the uncivil, unappreciative, hostile hoard throughout the match.

During the post-match on-court interview with Williams, Tomlajanovic stood by modestly and reverently as Williams thanked her entourage but, as per her true careerlong character as opposed to the media fabricated lie, offered only a faint half-sentence acknowledgment of the winner.

Williams' three matches last week made for the ugliest hours in the history of U.S. Open women's tennis. That her matches were played in Arthur Ashe Stadium - named for a champion, sportsman and gentleman — didn't mean a damned thing.

Tuesday, while smashing rackets and screaming vulgarities, tennis "star" Nick Kyrgios, lost — in Arthur Ashe Stadium.

And so San Diego State's Patrick McMorris, for helping an opponent to his feet, as seen on national TV, has thus far escaped infamy. He's lucky.

show-off and bully, U.S. soccer team

PERHAPS Yankee Josh **Donaldson** figured he was off on Labor Day.

That he didn't at first run hard to first base before being easily thrown out at second on a ball off the wall Monday inspired him inexplicable smiles, but didn't cut any ice among the YES video crew nor Michael Kay. In a show-and-tell, Donaldson was exposed as the latest Yankee who wound up a base short of where he belonged.

Kav's improved good-

Kay to call out players, **Boone needs criticism**

faith presence lies in the fact that he no longer pretends that viewers are too dull to see thus know better. Where he ignored the lethargy of Yankees, from **Robinson Cano** to **Gary** Sanchez, he now speaks of indefensibly minimal

However, the one thing

he hasn't said and likely can't, can be spoken in hints. The Yankees, no matter their W-L record. "Aaron Boone play Baseball" — the least one can do is good enough.

Imagine if Yankees, the and returnees, showed up every season knowing that Boone doesn't suffer the inexcusable.

Perhaps, five seasons into Boone's stewardship, it's time YES' Meredith **Marakovits**, in one of her cozy Q&A's with Boone, asks why.

➤ Rutgers radio football voice Chris Carlin, Sat-

urday on WFAN against Boston College, took time off from his annually over-the-top, amateurish "Go RU!" hysteria to read a promo for "the official steakhouse of Rutgers Football."

Given that RU football players were recently revealed to have spent \$450,000 over 14 months in school and taxpayerfunded food deliveries despite a \$73 million athletic department deficit, I figured the official steakhouse was DoorDash.

THIS just in: Reader/political correspondent **Brian Trainor** reports that in conjunction with the start of the NFL season **President Biden** will forgive all PSL

- Live and learn: This week in YES graphics, we read that Yankees pitchers, including Jonathan Loaisiga, throw "sinkers" anywhere from 97 to 100 mph. Considering that a sinker is (was?) a form of breaking pitch, I wasn't aware one could throw one 100
- ➤ At the start of Arizona-San Diego State, CBS did not duck the continuing investigation of three SDSU football players accused of the gangrape of a 17-year-old. CBS provided a solid, judicious account. One of the accused is "Punt God" Matt Araiza, recently cut by the Bills after the heat on him - and them grew.
- At the top of Saturday's Oregon-Georgia telecast, ABC/ESPN's Sean McDonough seemed oddly enthused to report that Oregon's new Lanning, coach, **Dan** "brought in 21 transfers!" Given the current NCAA Division I scene, did he mean transfers or free agents?
- Losers' NFL Survivor Pools should be starting soon. Never saw more opening day home underdogs. Makes for slim Week 1 pickings.
- As witnessed Saturday on ESPN's ACC Network, Syracuse wide receiver Devaughn Cooper, a 2016 high school grad from Los Angeles previously enrolled at Arizona and University of Texas-El Paso, is a seventh-year senior. Must've finally been attracted to Syracuse by the climate.
- Reader Dave Leigh, as per my recent lament on mother-discarded baseball cards and the sale of a Mickey Mantle rookie card for a reported \$12.6 million, recalled that his mom donated "everything to Catholic charities." Thus, Leigh suspects, "Somewhere in the Andes Mountains of Peru stands a shrine to **Clete Bover**."

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By PETER BOTTE

Elijah Moore admittedly didn't have the rookie season he envisioned, even if he led the Jets last season in receiving yards despite playing in only 11 of their 17 games due to injuries.

The team's second-round pick out of Mississippi State managed only nine receptions for 79 yards and zero touchdowns in his first five games, before getting into the end zone five times on 34 catches for 459 yards over his final six appearances for the 4-13

JETS NOTES

"Rookie year is about learning. didn't do what I wanted to do, but I learned a lot, so I'm grateful," Moore said after Thursday's practice in preparation for Sunday's season opener against Bal-

timore. "What do you think every rookie wants? They want to win, and we ain't win that much.

"But I learned a lot. To break it down, I'd be here all day.'

➤ Veteran linebacker **C.J.** Mosley says the team's confidence is high in Joe Flacco, a former teammate with the Ravens, in starting quarterback Zach Wilson's absence.

"Anytime you have a quarterback that's been in the league a long time, that gives you that comfortability," Mosley said. "Just because he's played a long time doesn't mean we're gonna win every game, but me personally playing with him in Baltimore, seeing what he can do, him being the MVP of a Super Bowl, winning those big playoff games and having that experience, it gives you the comfortability with him being back there. ... We all know what he's capable of."

➤ In addition to the two players that did not practice Thursquarterback Wilson (knee) and left tackle Duane Brown (shoulder) — the Jets officially listed right tackle George **Fant** (knee), offensive lineman Conor McDermott (ankle) and cornerback D.J. Reed (knee) as limited. Cornerback Justin Hardee (calf) was upgraded from limited to full participation.

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By RYAN DUNLEAVY

modern day Jim

Derrick Henry is taller and heavier than all but three members of the Giants' starting defense.

There is nothing in today's pass-first NFL quite like the challenge of facing the preeminent power running back of his generation, which might explain why Giants cornerback Adoree' Jackson — Henry's former Tennessee Titans teammate - crossed sports for an apt compari-

"He's going to do what he does," Jackson said. "LeBron James is going to be LeBron James: You may be able to cool him off for like one, two, three quarters, but at the end of the day he's still going to get his points.

Just put 11 hats to the ball

[against Henry] and just try to limit him as much as poscible. Por I sible. But, I mean, that's the [111] top back in the league."

Defensive coordinator Wink Martindale stuck to but traveled back about

60 years to explain what awaits Sunday when the Giants visit the Titans.

"He's like our modern day Jim Brown, I think," Martindale said. "He's just that much different when he has the ball in his hands, so it's a challenge every time he touches it."

The 6-foot-3, 247-pound Henry has averaged 5 yards on 900 carries over the past three seasons, winning back-to-back rushing titles with 1,540 yards in 2019 and 2,027 in 2020. Before a broken bone in his right foot caused him to miss the final nine games of the 2021 regular season, Henry was so dominant that he had more rushing yards after contact (587 of his 783) than any other player had total rushing yards through six weeks.

"There's a reason why they call Derrick Henry 'The King,' " Martindale said. "Because he's on the Iron Throne, for all you Game of Thrones fans,"

A full array of "Derrick Henry stiff arm" GIFs live on social media for those interested in seeing helpless defensive backs flying to the ground. Punishment isn't as easy to dole out on 300-pounders.

"If you watch tape on Derrick Henry, he's definitely a big back, but you don't see

him being a big back until he gets in space," defensive lineman Leonard Williams told The Post. "When he is on the line of scrimmage, he's like most backs. When he gets in space, that's when he tries to punish DBs, stiff arm and put his body on guys that are a lot smaller than him. Our job as defensive linemen is not to let him get to the second level."

g Blue preparing to end Titans' Henry =

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Easier said than done because Henry isn't plodding through the line. He's also a home run hitter with a NFL-best nine touchdown runs of at least 50 yards since

"One of the best backs of all time," Williams said. "He is always the guy teams will circle and try to prepare for, and he still happens to have 100-plus rushing games all the time."

In four career regular-season or playoff games against Martindale's defenses when he was with the Ravens, before coming to the Giants — Henry has carried 83 football for his comparison Line: Giants +5.5 • O/U: 43.5 times for 389 yards and a touchdown, including a 195-

vard performance to oust the AFC's No. 1 seed in the 2019 playoffs. Such is the risk of a blitz-happy scheme.

"It can definitely hurt a team that blitzes a lot if he gets past that first level of defense because there is nobody behind to get him down," Williams said.

Two of the Giants' 10 highest-paid players are defensive tackles (Williams and Dexter Lawrence). The third cog in a defense built up the middle by former general manager Dave Gettleman to stop the run is gone after the surprise release of 100-tackle machine Blake Martinez, who was penciled in as a starting inside linebacker until last week. Starting edge linebackers Kayvon Thibodeaux and Azeez Ojulari both are unlikely to play.

Bad timing with Henry on deck.

So, is there any way to slow Henry

"Yeah, if he's not at the game," head coach Brian Daboll quipped. "We're going to have to have all hands on deck and do the best job we can of running to the football and gang tackling. You even see him on plays he might have three or four guys on him, and somehow he squirts through."

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LET'S GO GANG BUSTERS!

New-look Jets can keep it close against favored Ravens ■ ERE we go with Season 29 of NFL picks in the Post's Bet-

tor's Guide. Last season, we captured the regular-season championship and followed that up with a nice 18-8 ATS run through the postseason, including a Bengals cover and the Under in Super Bowl LVI.

This column's been around so long, the Ravens didn't even exist until Season 3. Let's do it!

JETS (+7) over Ravens: The Jets have a chance to smash some narratives right out of the gate.

The first is that they are still among the dregs of the NFL, one of seven teams listed at 150/1 or higher to win the Super Bowl at BetMGM. Some believe this season will be an even hotter dumpster fire than usual. In late August, ESPN released a 2023 mock draft which had the Jets picking No. 1. A third is New York will be toast by the end of its four games against the AFC North to start the season.



If you don't think any or all of those things aren't possible, where have you been since, oh, 1970? But even the naysayers credit GM Joe Douglas for increasing the talent level of the team.

I'm looking forward to seeing what Mike LaFleur can do with a Michael Carter-Breece Hall combo behind a better offensive line, with Garrett Wilson and real NFL tight ends joining Elijah Moore. I'm interested to see what the defense looks like with actual edge rushers (Carl Lawson and Jermaine Johnson) and a new shutdown corner (Sauce Gardner). Lamar Jackson might not

Last year's terrible Jets team did score home wins against the playoff-bound Titans and Bengals and were a Stupid Jet Trick away from beating Tom Brady and the Buccaneers. With seven points to spare in a week when lots of crazy things happen, let's

give it a shot. TITANS (-5.5) over Giants: One of the most interesting stats found in The Post's massive 2022

NFL season preview is that over the past four seasons, the Giants rank fourth in covering the spread on the road or in neutral venues at 21-12-2. Those numbers are hidden deep inside the unsuccessful tenures of Pat Shurmur and Joe Judge.

So there's that. Another is that Brian Daboll and Wink Martindale, two AFC veterans, should know a lot more about the Titans than Mike Vrabel does about the Giants. But I'm worried the Giants don't have enough talent, or at least healthy talent, to combat Derrick Henry on a potentially wet track where the ground game will be king. When new GM Joe Schoen uses words such as "it's the hand we were dealt" before the first game, that's not a good sign.

FALCONS (+5.5) over Saints: Great stat from Josh Appelbaum of VSiN — divisional underdogs are 22-8 ATS in Week 1 since 2016. Yes, the Falcons could be the worst team in the NFL, but in theory you would have had the inferior team in each of those games and won

73 percent of them. 49ers (-6.5) over **BEARS**: If there's one team above all others fully invested in having its quarterback get off to a flying start, it's the

49ers

with Trey Lance. Bears will be a different defense without Akiem Hicks up front.

Steelers (+6.5) over BEN-GALS: So many systems at play here. First is the divisional 'dog angle. Next is the Super Bowl loser jinx, which has seen those teams go 4-18 ATS in the following Week 1 over the past 22 seasons, per Action Network's C Jackson Cowart. Then there's one we followed all last season here: Mike Tomlin is 45-23 ATS as an underdog.

Eagles (-4) over LIONS: Lot of people are loving the Lions because of "Hard Knocks," but I don't see the translation. Last Halloween, the Eagles destroyed them in Detroit, 44-6, and I only see Philly getting better with the additions of A.J. Brown, C.J. Gardner-Johnson and the further development of Jalen Hurts.

Patriots (+3.5) over **DOLPHINS**: Have you heard the trend about divisional 'dogs Week 1? I was stunned when the

hook became available with the Patriots earlier

and replaced him with JuJu Smith-Schuster, Marquez Valdes-Scantling and rookie Skyy Moore. This line steamed from Chiefs -4.5 to -6 in a few days, a bad forecast for Kliff Kingsbury in the desert as his Texas Tech star Patrick Mahomes comes knocking.

in the week. Yes, please!

Jaguars (+2.5) over COM-MANDERS: Willing to take the small head start to see what Trevor Lawrence can do with Travis Etienne Jr. taking handoffs and Super Bowl champ Doug Pederson in his ear. I like the Commanders in general, but three of their seven wins last season were by two points or fewer,

so that would work here.

Browns (+1.5) over PAN-THERS: Lost in the Deshaun Watson suspension and Baker Mayfield revenge angle is that the Browns are the better team here, and maybe by more than a little. Amari Cooper augments the Nick Chubb-Kareem Hunt ground attack, and Myles Garrett hunts Baker.

TEXANS (+7) over Colts: Divisional 'dogs in Week 1, Part 4. Like with the Falcons, I might have to avert my eyes and just look at the final score to see how we did. Colts won the two matchups by a combined 62-3 in 2021. Yet, the line has moved from Colts -8.5 to -7. Hmmm.

VIKINGS (+1.5) over Packers: Hot diggity, another divisional underdog! Davante Adams has left the building, and new No. 1 reciever Allen Lazard is questionable for the Pack. Interesting to see Za'Darius Smith in purple chasing after Aaron Rodgers.

Chiefs (-6) over CARDINALS: K.C. traded Tyreek Hill

SPREAD STANDINGS

NFC	2021	2020	2019
Cowboys	13-4-0	5-11-0	9-7-0
Packers	12-5-0	10-6-0	10-6-0
Lions	11-6-0	7-9-0	6-10-0
Cardinals	10-7-0	7-9-0	9-5-2
Buccaneers	9-8-0	9-7-0	5-9-2
49ers	9-8-0	7-9-0	9-6-1
Saints	9-8-0	9-7-0	11-5-0
Seahawks	9-8-0	8-8-0	7-8-1
Vikings	9-8-0	6-10-0	9-7-0
Eagles	8-8-1	6-10-0	7-9-0
Rams	8-9-0	9-7-0	10-5-1
Washington	7-9-1	9-7-0	6-10-0
Falcons	6-10-1	7-9-0	8-8-0
Giants	6-11-0	9-7-0	7-9-0
Bears	6-11-0	8-8-0	4-12-0
Panthers	5-12-0	9-7-0	6-9-1
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Raiders (+3.5) over CHAR-GERS: That crazy 35-32 season finale makes me want to take the hook with the Raiders as we finish off our six pack of divisional underdogs. The Chargers are my Super Bowl pick because I believe in Justin Herbert and their loaded roster. A narrow win would serve both causes.

COWBOYS (+2.5) over Buccaneers: Same teams met in last year's opener, and the Bucs won a 31-29 thriller. Dallas might not match its 12-5 record, but Micah Parsons and Trevon Diggs can cause problems for Tom Brady, who seemingly isn't all there yet.

MONDAY

Broncos (-6.5) over SEA-**HAWKS**: Seattle deserves to lose by three touchdowns because of those radioactive lime green uniforms alone. But that won't be the reason here. This one's all about Russell Wilson being unleashed to use his many new weapons including Javonte Williams on the ground, and Jerry Jeudy and Courtland Sutton through the air. **BEST BETS**: Steelers, Patriots,

> Browns. LOCK **OF** THE WEEK: Steelers (Locks

went 11-9 in 2021-22). THURSDAY: Rams (L). @DaveBlezowNYP

STEEL THE ONE: Underdogs tend to cover spreads in Week 1 against divisional opponents. Thus, T.J. Watt and the Steelers are a good bet to cover the spread vs. the Bengals. USA TODAY Sports

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THE LINE	BRIAN Costello	STEVE SERBY	MARK Cannizzaro	PAUL Schwartz	DREW LOFTIS	RYAN DUNLEAVY	STITCHES	MS. Charleen	HOWIE KUSSOY
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Dolphins' speed is ready to crack Mac & Patriots

By C JACKSON COWART actionnetwork.com

The Action Network NFL analyst joins The Post's Bettor's Guide for the 2022 season. Here are his top plays for Week 1.

DOLPHINS (-3.5) over Patriots: I'm incredibly bullish on these Dolphins, who have finally put Tua Tagovailoa in a spot to succeed with an innovative head coach and the best supporting cast he's seen since his final year at Alabama. He's got the fastest WR duo in the league in Tyreek Hill and Jaylen Waddle, and coach Mike McDaniel will attempt to recreate his rushing success in San Francisco with a pair of burners in Chase Edmonds and former 49ers back Raheem Mostert.

That's to say nothing of this talent-rich defense, which forced Mac Jones into as many turnovers (two) as touchdowns (two) in a pair of Fins wins last season. Hard Rock Stadium has long been a house of horrors for the Patriots, who are 2-7-1 against the spread in their past 10 games in Miami.

Broncos (-6.5) over SEAHAWKS: Denver was the quintessential "one quarterback away" candidate — a team with a Super Bowl roster and a void at quarterback. That's no longer an issue with perennial MVP contender Russell Wilson, who owns a career 57-21 record at Lumen Field.

As if their bare-bones roster wasn't uninspiring enough, the Seahawks will be replacing Wilson with his former backup, Geno Smith, whose five touchdowns in 2021 were his most in a season since 2014. That should tell you all you need to know about the longtime veteran and his team's chances of keeping it close on Monday night.





Good li'l 'dog! Unleash Cousins against Packers

The Wildcat returns for his 26th season in The Post. Including the 1997-2021 seasons in the Bettor's Guide, Cat's record in print stands at 674-582 (53.8 percent) against the spread.

VIKINGS (+1.5) over Packers:
Minnesota QB Kirk Cousins returns
fresh (was held out earlier due to
COVID concerns) but has proven
himself more than capable, especially
when cast in the underdog role. Packers
QB Aaron Rodgers has concerns about
health of his starting offensive tackles, but
veteran remains a serious threat. Hosts
imposing in this role, given their history.

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Minny responds smartly, for one unit. **Raiders (+3.5) over CHARGERS**:

Though this matchup materializes earlier than we'd like, still rate undefeated Silver and Black a must-take in this price range against the Bolts, who are primed behind

QB phenom Justin Herbert, throwing to WR Keenan Allen who heads L.A.'s skill-player charge.

The faves figure to find it bad policy to take plays off against a Raiders bunch that added wideout Davante Adams to their attack.

'Dog figures close, given head start.

2021-22 SEASON: 22-20-1 (Super Bowl: Bengals +3.5, W).

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By PETER BOTTE

The overhauled Jets boast five new starters on their defense, six if vou count defensive end Carl Lawson, who missed all of last season with a ruptured Achilles.

The significant changes make it even more imperative to have dependable veteran middle linebacker C.J. Mosley anchoring the revamped unit entering the season opener Sunday against the Ravens, the first game he'll play against his former team since coming to the Jets in 2019.



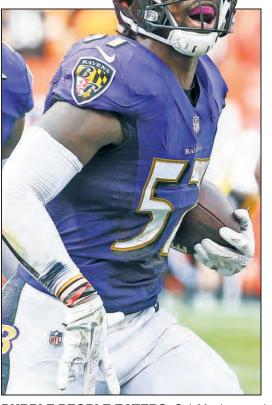
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"The Mike linebacker, and especially a guy like C.J., which we lean on so much to run our defense and make all our checks and adjust and communicate and get everybody lined up, he is absolutely critical,' defensive coordinator Jeff Ulbrich said after practice Thursday in Florham Park. "He is a guy that elevates everyone around him.

"He's the guy, because of him we have the chance to be a good defense. He's got a lot of the glue that holds us together. So we go a little bit as he goes. If there's a guy I want to lean on, that's the guy I want to lean on.'

The 30-year-old Mosley, who was named the Jets' defensive captain this week, replied that his coach's compliment "means a lot to me." Especially because he was able to appear in and start all but one game last season after playing just two in 2019 due to injuries before making the decision to sit out the 2020 campaign due to COV-ID-19 concerns.

"I take a lot of pride in staying





PURPLE PEOPLE EATERS: C.J. Mosley was impressive last year, his first full season on the field with the Jets after leaving Baltimore as a free agent following the 2018 season. Sunday, he will meet his

Jets' 'glue' on D, Mosley set to face former team for first time

level-headed. I've mentioned the bend-but-don't-break mentality, that's kind of how I live my life day-to-day, not getting too high or too low whether things are good or bad," Mosley said. "It's just really understanding the sit-

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uations that we're in.

"I've been fortunate to play a lot of football, a lot of NFL football. So I've been in a lot of different games and different situations when it comes to playing these big games, these season openers."

Mosley spent five seasons with the Ravens, making four trips to the Pro Bowl, before signing a five-

vear contract worth \$85 million with the Jets as a free agent in 2019. He restructured what's left of that deal last week - converting nearly \$14.9 million in base salary into a signing bonus while adding two void years to help the Jets create more than \$11.9 million in 2022

The Jets played at Baltimore in

December 2019, but Mosley was injured and didn't dress for the

"I haven't really stressed myself out thinking about it. We're preparing for our first opponent," Mosley said. "Obviously, it's a closer connection for me, but as far as the mental feeling of it, I haven't really came to it yet. I know once I get on the field, I'm sure once all the smoke clears and all the hoopla gets out of the way, it'll be right back to football.

"I've been in this league a long time, so I know what it's like and how the NFL works. It's a business at the end of the day. They gave me the opportunity to be in the NFL. I spent five years and I definitely considered that home for a long time. I have a lot of history, obviously with the Ravens, so no hard feelings there."

Before the offseason changes, the Jets ranked last in the NFL in the 2021 season in yards allowed per game (397.8) and points allowed per game (29.6). The new starters include three in the secondary — including No. 4-overall pick Sauce Gardner at cornerback and former Pro Bowler Kwon Alexander at outside linebacker.

The first test will come Sunday for second-year head coach Robert Saleh's team against dynamic quarterback Lamar Jackson and the Ravens, the sixth-ranked offense in the league in 2021.

"I think the potential [of the defense] is very high," Mosley said. "We have a lot of great guys starting on our defense, and a lot of reserves that are great, too. ... I feel like our ceiling is very high and it's up to us to fulfill that when it comes to making plays.

"We definitely have a lot of potential to grow and this is going to be our first big test. We're all ready and looking forward to it."

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Shaky offensive line takes yet another hit

By ZACH BRAZILLER

The Jets' offensive line is already down one offensive tackle, and now the replacement is dealing with a shoulder ailment.

Duane Brown, the starting left tackle, who was signed after Mekhi Becton was lost for the season due to a fractured right kneecap, hasn't been at practice the last two days. Head coach Robert Saleh said he was getting his shoulder evaluated, but didn't offer any further update. Brown's status for the season opener Sunday against the Ravens appears in doubt, and the question now is whether it is a long-term injury.

Losing the 37-year-old Brown, a five-time Pro Bowler with a strong reputation for his durability, would be a major blow to the offensive line. George Fant, the starter at left tackle who was moved over to the right side upon the addition of Brown, could move back to his original spot. The two options to start Sunday against the Ravens would be rookie fourth-round draft pick Max Mitchell and veteran Conor McDermott, who missed most of training camp with an ankle injury and didn't appear in any preseason games. McDermott is practicing with the team, although he was limited in both workouts this week. So was Fant, who is nursing a knee injury.

"We still gotta do our jobs," offensive guard Laken Tomlinson



AGAIN? Duane Brown, who signed just recently with the Jets as Mekhi Becton's replacement at left tackle, hasn't practiced in two days and his availability for the season opener is in doubt.

Bill Kostroun

said after practice Thursday. "Obviously, the stuff going on with Duane, that's for Coach Saleh to comment on. But I still have a job to do, so I'm focused on that right now. I'm focused on Baltimore."

He added: "All of our guys I feel like I can play, everyone from veterans to rookie class. So we're preparing like we're trying to play and win a game."

The Jets' offensive line didn't play well in the final preseason game against the Giants, but there was hope there was enough practice time before the regular-season opener for the unit to develop chemistry. But that is no longer possible with Brown's status in doubt, creating more questions than answers a few days before the first game against the Ravens.

"Work is work, we have to come together and be tighter as a group and come out and grind every day," Tomlinson said. "At the end of the day, every guy has to do their job no matter who is in the position."

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Long time coming for Lawson, father

By ZACH BRAZILLER

Sunday will be special for Carl Lawson, but not because it will be his first game that counts in 20 months.

The presence of his father, Carl Lawson Sr., in the crowd is what excites him about the regular-season opener against the Ravens.

"My dad hasn't seen me play in a long time," the Jets defensive end said Thursday. "It's a real big emotion that way."

After signing a threeyear, \$45 million deal

year, \$45 million deal with the Jets in March 2021, Lawson missed all of last season due to a ruptured Achilles tendon. That was nothing compared to what his father dealt with, nearly

losing his life in a battle with COVID-19.

Lawson thought Carl Sr., who played college football at Georgia Tech in the late 1980s, would never be able to watch him in ac-

tion again after joining the Jets. That's how serious it got. He was in the hospital for, in Lawson's words, "forever." SNY reported the elder Lawson was hospitalized for nine weeks, spending a significant amount of time on a ventilator.

"I thought I was going to lose him a while ago, right around the time after I signed my con-

tract," Lawson said. "I was like, 'Damn, he's not going to get to see me play as a Jet.' That's why it's important to me. You never know when your last opportunity

for anything is."

The game Sunday will be Lawson's first real contest in green, and he will have his family there to take it all in. The Jets are excited to see how Lawson can bolster their front seven after he missed all of last season. His addition should make an already strong defensive front even better. Defensive coordinator Jeff Ulbrich called Lawson a "unicorn," because of his unique body type for his position. Instead of a long, speedy athlete, Lawson is built like a brick.

"He is absolutely impossible to replicate," Ulbrich said. "He brings not only a pass rush and he brings skill, but he also brings this toughness and this effort and this mindset that absolutely rubs off on other people. We missed him last year, we're excited to have him back."



CARL



By MARK W. SANCHEZ

What will matter more: the Mets' schedule or the Braves' sizzle?

No one has an easier slate remaining than the Mets. No one is playing better than the Braves.

With 24 games left, the Mets have the smoother course ahead. The Braves, with

25 games left, have a seven-game winning streak and momentum that has not waned since June.

The home stretch is here for baseball's best divisional race.

There are under four weeks remaining to settle an NL East that the Mets have let slip and the Braves have tried to grab. A Mets lead that was $\bar{1}0^{1/2}$ games on June 1 will be a half-game as Buck Showalter's crew heads to Miami and the Braves head to Se-

attle for series that begin Friday.

FanGraphs estimates the Mets have a 63.5 percent chance of winning the division, which seems more confident than most fans around Queens. Here is a primer for what lies ahead in another classic Mets-Braves battle:

Schedule

 According to Tankathon, the Mets have the easiest schedule remaining in the majors — but that was true for their past two series, too, when they went 3-3 against the Nationals and Pirates. The Mets have 10 in a row against sub-.500 clubs until three games in Milwaukee. After the Brewers series, the only quality team the Mets will play will be the Braves themselves, from Sept. 30-Oct. 2, in Atlanta. A potential break: For their upcoming se-

ries, the Mets will miss Marlins ace Sandy Alcantara. • Entering play Thursday, the Braves' remaining schedule was the 12th-easiest in

baseball. Brian Snitker's crew is amid a West Coast trip that will go from Seattle to San Francisco. Upon returning to the East Coast, the Braves will play seven of 11 games against Bryce

> who are fighting for a playoff spot.

NL EAST

FRIDAY'S GAMES

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1. Mets

2. Braves

Mets at Marlins

Braves at Mariners

A potential break: The Braves will dodge Mariners ace Luis Castillo and are set up to avoid Giants standout Logan Webb in the ensuing series.

Harper and the Phillies,

Health concerns

• The Mets have several significant worries. Max

Scherzer will miss at least two starts with what the team termed left oblique irritation. The Mets are trying to avoid placing Starling Marte on the IL and — for now at least — are hoping their most consistent hitter can manage a broken right middle finger.

Infielder Luis Guillorme (hamstring strain), who is in the middle of a rehab assignment and should be nearing activation, leads the reinforcements. Trevor May (COVID-IL) is expected to return this weekend. The Mets have several rehabbing relievers who could become September

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options, including Tylor Megill, Drew Smith and Joey Lucchesi.

• The Braves are getting healthier. All-Star second baseman Ozzie Albies, who broke his foot in June, began a rehab assignment last week and is nearing a return, which could push breakout rookie Vaughn Grissom to left field. Righty starter Mike Soroka, an All-Star in 2019 before a series of injuries struck, is building up in Triple-A and could be an option soon.

The rotation help could be important. Jake Odorizzi did not take his most recent turn in the rotation because of arm fatigue.

The largest concern for Atlanta's position players belongs to Ronald Acuña Jr., who is being careful with his surgically repaired right knee. Acuña, normally a right fielder, has served as the DH in the Braves' past seven games because of knee soreness.

Streaking

● The Mets' other bats. Eduardo Escobar owns a six-game hitting streak in which he is batting .526 with three home runs. James McCann is showing more life than he has since signing with the Mets. Previously struggling Tyler Naquin has filled in nicely for

Iacob deGrom (1.66 ERA) has returned as a superhuman, and Chris Bassitt boasts a 1.75 ERA in his past seven starts.

• The Braves have scored 34 runs in their past seven games, so much of their lineup is hot. Outfielder Marcell Ozuna, hitting .438 this month, has caught fire; Grissom, hitting .347, has played like a star since his August call-up; and outfielder Michael Harris II owns a 14-game hitting streak.

Atlanta's rotation has a worry in Odorizzi but a warrior in Spencer Strider, who has 25 strikeouts in his past two outings.

Skidding

Jacob

deGrom

• The Mets' most important bats, Pete Alonso (.646 OPS in September) and Francisco Lindor (.609), are having their worst months of the season. Daniel Vogelbach (3

for his last 30) and Darin Ruf (batting .163 as a Met) have not helped enough at DH.

The Mets' rotation has the same second-half concern as it did last season: Taijuan Walker (6.25 ERA since the break) has fallen off for a second straight year.

 Dansby Swanson was a first-time All-Star this season, but the Braves shortstop's play has dipped in the second half. Outfielder Rob-

bie Grossman, a deadline pickup from the Tigers, has yet to hit.

Fourth starter Kyle Wright has been excellent this season but has surpassed his career-high in innings, which bears watching. He was roughed up by the A's offense Tuesday.

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ARON Judge surprised folks by turnling down the Yankees' \$213.5 million, seven-year offer on the eve of this season. Judge gambled big, and won bigger. Yankees president Randy Levine called Judge an "all-time Yankee" on The Post podcast "The Show." With Judge at 55 homers and counting, the price is rising, possibly by \$75 million or more.

Thus, Judge tops my firstever list of the five best decisions of the last calendar year. Here are the five best, and for balance the five worst, decisions of the past 365 days.

Five Up

1. Judge declines the Yankees' offer.

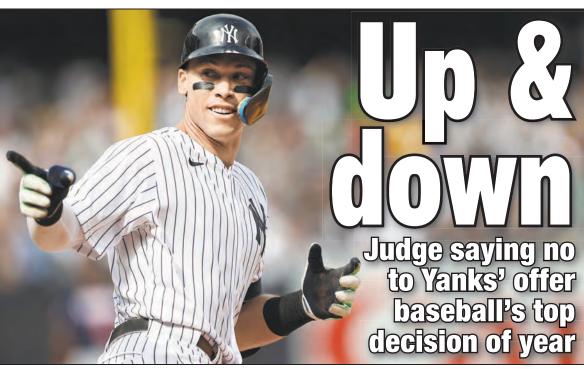
The Yankees made a reasonable bid. But now Judge's own \$36 million estimated salary ask seems more than reasonable.

"He's a \$40 million player," claimed one expert. While negotiations didn't go perfectly, few expect him to leave. The one edge the Yankees have in talks: the pinstripes are a major plus.

2. The Dodgers sign Freddie Freeman for \$162 million, six years.

Speaking of not expecting someone to leave, Freeman appeared near tears upon his return to play as a Dodger in Atlanta. Regardless, Los Angeles got him for about the same money (or even a bit less if you figure California taxes and large deferrals in the deal) as the offer that upset him from the Braves (\$135 million for five officially, \$140 million verbally).

3. The Phillies hire bench coach Rob Thomson as



Jon Keyman

HAVING A BLAST: Aaron Judge, after turning down the Yankees' \$213.5 million offer at the start of the season, is now in line to add at least \$75 million to that after his pursuit of Roger Maris' AL and team HR record.

manager, replacing Joe Girardi.

Thomson was Girardi's right-hand man, but in terms of demeanor, he's the opposite. As serious as Girardi seems, that's how loose Thomson is. The change has worked wonders, as the Phillies have worked their

way into playoff position.
4. The Marlins sign Sandy Alcantara for \$56 million over five years, plus an option for 2027.

Alcantara is a Cy Young favorite and his four complete games are more than most teams. Hat tip to ex-Marlins general manager Michael Hill, who acquired Alcantara, Zac Gallen, Daniel Castano and Magneuris Sierra for Marcell Ozuna.

5. The Astros sign Justin Verlander for \$25 million for 2022, plus a player option.

This move might have been even higher had the Astros stuck with their original two-year deal, amended when team doctors thought they saw something. Now, the Cy Young favorite will obviously use that option.

Five Down

1. The Brewers trade Josh Hader for Taylor Rogers and three prospects.

Analytically, and logically, it made sense. Hader is due a raise from his \$10 million salary, is a year from free agency and had begun to struggle. While his struggles only worsened in San

Diego, it was like a bomb had been dropped on the Brewers' clubhouse.

2. The Tigers sign Javier Baez for \$140 million.

Baez is a talented and exciting player known for his wild swings, and pitchers have taken advantage of his hitting plan, or lack thereof. A complete thumbs down in Detroit.

3. The Marlins sign Avisail Garcia for \$53 million over four years.

Garcia was apparently the fallback choice for ex-CEO Derek Jeter, who reportedly first sought Nick Castellanos, but zeroed in on Garcia when other Miami execs were said to be "lukewarm" on him. Big mistake.

4. The Phillies sign Cas-

tellanos for \$100 million over five years.

Good thing the Marlins didn't get him, too. Castellanos can hit, but hasn't done it well enough to make up for his defensive

shortcomings.

5. The Red Sox fail to extend Rafael Devers or Xander Bogaerts.

While giving Trevor Story \$140 million, Boston failed to make realistic offers to its two best players.

The Devers bid reportedly was patterned after Matt Olson's \$168 million deal, so it probably came up short by half. They didn't even come that close on Bogaerts, offering only to add another year at an under-market \$20 million.

CARLOS Correa loves Minnesota, but he will opt out if he and the Twins can't work out a long deal. It'll be interesting to see if Correa or **Trea Turner** will get the top shortstop deal. Turner, who had preliminary talks with the Dodgers in the spring, is having the better offensive year and has no injury history, but Correa is a better defender and younger.

Xander Bogaerts was said to be insulted by the Red Sox's ridiculous offer to add a year at the same under-market \$20 million, so don't look for a hometown discount there.

While the Braves are trying to keep Dansby Swanson ahead of his filing, it's probably a long shot to get something done at this stage, even by his hometown team.

The Cubs and Phillies are among the likely landing spots for the shortstops. The Yankees seem to have faith in Jersey Boy Anthony Volpe, but Bogaerts, veteran of the AL East, could make sense.

Michael Conforto apparently had more interest from non-contenders and word is he will likely sign a multiyear deal this winter for at least 2023-24. While he's hitting full bore, he's doing a throwing program that is expected to take three to four months and should ready him for full-time duty in 2023.

The Diamondbacks' future is looking much brighter with the emergence of several young players, especially in the outfield, with rookies Alek Thomas, Corbin Carroll, Jake McCarthy and Stone Garrett, who has surprised even them, plus Daulton Varsho. All but Garrett are lefty hitters, so trades are possible.

The Mets have made a lot of great moves, but the trade of J.D. Davis for Darin Ruf looks to be a bust. Davis has a 146 OPS plus with the Giants, while Ruf's is 26.

The Mets' decision not to part with any of their top five prospects probably cost them getting a fulltime player to bat behind Pete **Alonso**, who is tied with — and soon to be passed by - Aaron Judge for the major league lead with 14 intentional walks.

Luis Severino was said to be "lights out" in his last rehab outing, and the Yankees have hopes for quick returns by Zack Britton, Miguel Castro and Scott Effross so they may need to ride pitching. Center fielder Harrison Bader, who helps the defense too, may be back next week.

With hearings to go in the Trevor Bauer case, consider him out for the year.

.a Russa 'OK<u>,' Chisox return expected soon</u>

TONY La Russa "is going to be OK," said friends, following an extensive medical checkup. Word is he's hoping to be back managing the White Sox as early as next week after he stepped away from the team with an unspecified health issue.

La Russa is hoping to attend Dave Stewart's No. 34 retirement ceremony in Oakland on Sun-

day before rejoining the White Sox. The 77-year-old Hall of Famer was having a rough year with the White Sox, who remain firmly in the AL Central race. The Twins have 17 players hurt and the Indians lost two starters in the last week, so the White Sox remain in the postseason mix.

Officially, the White Sox are not ready to set a return date for La Russa "at this time," as they await more information. In La Russa's absence, **Miguel Cairo** is 6-3 and drawing praise.

Yankees president **Randy Levine** said on "The Show," that the Steinbrenners will own the team "forever." While Levine didn't suggest a time frame for GM Brian Cashman, he's likely going to continue into his 26th season and beyond. Levine was complimentary of Cashman, but said it's Hal Steinbrenner's call, and since that is the case, no one expects him to change GMs following Cashman's 25 straight winning years.

Word is Marlins GM Kim Ng will finally have power this winter. Don't blame her for the missteps of Derek Jeter and his right-hand henchman Gary Denbo.



Jeter set to receive usual hero's welcome in Bronx

HIS was one of the last times Joe DiMaggio visited Yankee Stadium, one more Old-Timers' Day in the old Stadium, to which he used to own the deed. It was a broiling hot day, and all around him, middleaged ex-ballplayers stuffed into baseball uniforms were sweating and panting and dreaming of

cold beers. DiMaggio, as always, looked as

if he'd stepped directly out of the pages of GQ, his suit pristine, his necktie perfectly knotted, not a drop of perspiration anywhere. He was asked if these appearances at the Stadium where he was always introduced last, always as "the greatest liv-ing ballplayer" — had begun to mean more to him as the years passed.

DiMaggio smiled.

"I've heard more cheers directed my way than one man deserves to hear in one lifetime," he said. "It's lovely, but it's beside the point. It's the people

who seem to love to see me show up, back come here, say hello. This is for them, much more than it's for me."

You suspect that's precisely how Derek Jeter will feel Friday night, when at last the Yankees welcome him back home to The Bronx to offer proper ceremony for his induction into the Baseball Hall of Fame. Ieter will be honored before the Yankees' game with the Rays, a year and a day after he was welcomed into Cooperstown's eternal embrace.

It feels like there has always been something a little off about Ieter's entire Hall of Fame jour-



PRODIGAL SON: Following his delayed Hall of Fame induction (inset) last year, Derek Jeter is set to be honored Friday at Yankee Stadium in front of his adoring fans for the first time since the Captain's number was retired five years ago (right). N.Y. Post: Charles Wenzelberg (3)

ney. His induction was postponed a year because of the pandemic. The ceremony itself was more muted than usual, held six

weeks later than usual. There was the one deep thinker who left Jeter off his ballot, preventing him from joining Mariano Riv-

era as unanimous choices. Plus, until recently, Jeter had another job, running the Marlins.

Mike Vaccaro

Other things kept Jeter away, too. In 2018 he missed the 20thanniversary celebration of the Yankees' 125-win 1998 juggernaut because he was committed to celebrating his daughter's birthday. He did return a year earlier when his No. 2 was formally retired, but that was five years ago and it feels like longer than that somehow.

So Friday will be loud at the Stadium.

Friday will be about saying thank you to a homegrown phenomenon who took the city by storm as a 21-year-old and never let its lapels out of his grip until he was 40, who amassed 3,465 hits and hit .310 for his career and won five championship rings, and across every second of those 19 years, never ceased to be amazed that it had all happened for him in Yankees pin-

Friday will be about the baseball life that helped define a generation in New York in the same way DiMaggio's did, in the same way Babe Ruth's did, in the same way Mickey Mantle's did. Yogi Berra — who heard his fair share of Yankee Stadium thunder through the years - once quipped of Jeter: "If he wasn't a Yankee, I'd have to hate him, so I'm glad he was a Yankee."

Friday, 50,000 voices will echo

ments. They will allow their voices to provide the message, and it will flow onto the field, it will spill over the top of the stadium and out onto the 4 train platform, out around the Bronx County Courthouse, out across the street to where the old Stadium once stood.

That part of Friday will be for Jeter.

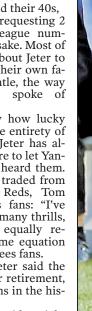
But Friday will also be for a generation of kids who all grew up copying Jeter's batting stance and all the quirks that went along with it, most of those kids well into their 30s by now, and their 40s, many of them still requesting 2 for their softball-league numbers, for old time's sake. Most of them telling tales about Jeter to their kids the way their own fathers spoke of Mantle, the way their grandfathers spoke of DiMaggio.

Those fans know how lucky they were to see the entirety of Jeter's career, and Jeter has always taken great care to let Yankees fans know he heard them. On the day he was traded from the Mets to the Reds, Tom Seaver said of his fans: "I've given them a great many thrills, and they've been equally returned." It's the same equation with Jeter and Yankees fans.

"Yankees fans," Jeter said the night of his number retirement, "are the greatest fans in the history of sports."

Nothing he hears Friday night will alter that. It will be a warm. welcome homecoming. For Jeter, sure. And for everyone else in the house, too.

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RHP Frankie Montas (5-11, 3.79) vs. RHP Drew Rasmussen (9-4, 2.70)

SATURDAY — 1:05, YES RHP Jameson Taillon (12-4, 3.95) vs. RHP Corey Kluber (10-7, 4.00)

SUNDAY — 1:35, YES TBD vs. TBD

All games on WFAN (660 AM; 101.9 FM)

INSIDE THE MATCHUPS

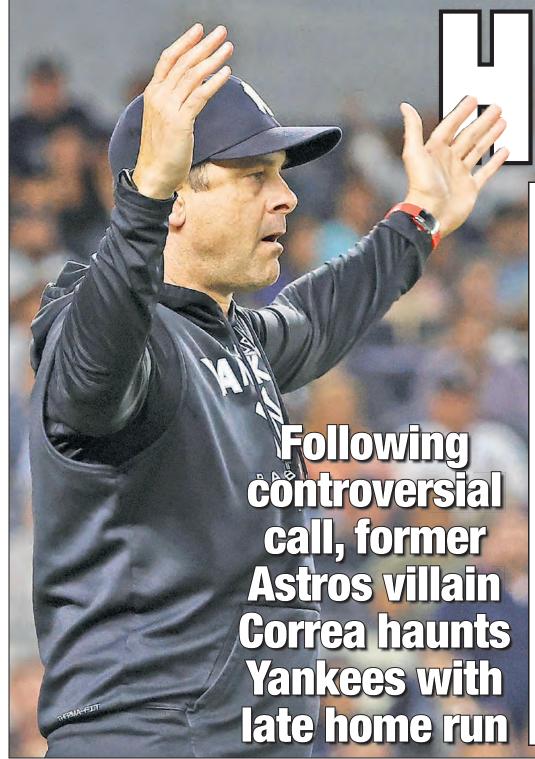
YANKEES: Montas will be facing the Rays for the second time in a row. The righty earned his fifth win of the season when he threw five scoreless innings (one hit, no walks, seven strikeouts) at Tampa Bay on Sunday.

RAYS: Rasmussen missed his scheduled start Tuesday against the Red Sox with the birth of his son, Rhett. The righty has enjoyed a strong season, and took a perfect game into the ninth inning against the Orioles in a 4-1 Tampa Bay win on Aug. 14.

STAT SO?

YANKEES: With their win in the opener of Wednesday's doubleheader against the Twins, the Yankees secured their 30th consecutive winning record (since 1993). This 30-season streak is the second-longest such streak in MLB history, trailing the Yankees' 39 straight winning seasons from 1926-64.

RAYS: With a 1-0 win against the Red Sox on Wednesday, Tampa Bay swept its third series in the past five (dating to Aug. 22). It was the 12th time in franchise history they swept the Red Sox in a series of three games or more.



By GREG JOYCE

Aaron Boone thought the Yankees should have been out of the eighth inning before Carlos Correa's spot in the order came up.

Instead, a controversial call at first base extended the frame and gave the former Astros star the chance to play villain.

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Correa delivered, drilling a two-run home run off reliever

Greg Weissert to lift the Twins to a 4-3 win over the Yankees on Thursday night in The Bronx.

After rallying for one run but leaving the tying run 90 feet away in the bottom of the eighth, the Yankees mounted another rally in the ninth. With one out, Oswald Peraza blooped a single into center field before Aaron Hicks roped a double to the right-field corner off right-hander Michael Fulmer.

The Twins then intentionally walked Aaron Judge to load the bases for Gleyber Torres, who struck out.

That left the game up to cleanup hitter Isiah

Kiner-Falefa, who grounded out to end it.
"We still had our chances," said Boone, who
was still visibly ticked about the eighth-inning

call. "Just came up a little bit short."
The Yankees (83-55) missed out on a chance for the four-game sweep in a rare loss to the Twins. It cut their AL East lead to 4½ games over the idle Rays before another big threegame showdown between the two teams this weekend.

The play that set up Correa's blast came with one out in the top of the eighth inning. Jake Cave hit a ground ball to the left of first base, which Marwin Gonzalez fielded and tossed to Wandy Peralta covering first, where Cave was called safe.

The Yankees challenged the call, with replays showing that Peralta touched the bag

VERYONE saw how this was going to go. Are you kidding? No matter how many times you watch "The Sting," you know how it ends, you know Redford's going to get up from the floor smiling and Shaw is going to be hustled up the stairs with his suitcase a half-mill light in cash.

Every. Single. Time.

So it made perfect sense that the Yankees would load the bases in the ninth inning Thursday night, trailing 4-3, one out. Michael Fulmer threw two balls to Gleyber Torres and there wasn't a soul among the remnants of the 35,551 in the Stadium stands who couldn't see what was about to happen.

The Twins, they'd seen this script before. They knew the record —

<u>Despite loss, Boone & Co.</u> **Mike Vaccaro**

114-39 in the previous 153 games between the two, a fair chunk of them won against long odds late in games. It really wasn't a matter of if the Yankees would win the game, it was who the hero would be. Nobody was putting any smart money

on that being Fulmer.

But it was. Fulmer struck out Torres, induced a game-ending grounder from Isiah Kiner-Falafa, and suddenly Redford wasn't getting up from the floor, and Shaw was getting the last laugh on Newman after all.

"We had our shot," Yankees manager Aaron Boone said, shrugging his shoulders.

So the Yankees will not carry a five-game winning streak into this uber-important weekend in The Bronx, three games against the Rays that can either invite them even closer into the race for the AL East crown or send them away recalibrating their playoff aspirations, focusing on the wild card.

The Rays show up 4 ½ games back, three in the loss column, and it is likely that their foundational star, shortstop Wander Franco, will join them for the first time since July 9 after missing the last 51 games with a hamate fracture in his right wrist. The Rays would seem to have much of the momentum on their side. This is their shot.

But it's useful to take a step back and ponder what the Yankees did



OF COURSE IT WAS THAT GUY: Much to Aaron Boone's chagrin, Jake Cave was ruled safe at first base in the eighth inning and the Yankees' challenge was overruled. One out later, Carlos Correa hit a two-run homer to give the Twins a 4-2 lead. N.Y. Post: Charles Wenzelberg; Robert Sabo

first but had bobbled the throw from Gonzalez. It was not clear whether Peralta had the ball secured in his glove — or trapped against his chest — by the time he stepped on first base, which led to the call on the field standing.

ing.
"I think he's out," Boone said. "We gotta live with the '[call] stands.' That's just how

the system goes."

One out later, Correa crushed a slider from Weissert for the 4-2 lead.

The Yankees then put together a rally in the bottom of the inning, which Judge led off with a double and eventually came home to score from third on a wild pitch that got past Gary Sanchez to make it 4-3.

Then, with runners on the corners and two outs, Boone pinch hit Giancarlo Stanton, appearing for the first time since Monday when he fouled a ball off his left foot. Stanton worked a nine-pitch at-bat but ultimately chased ball four and struck out to end the threat.

Making his first start after a brief stint on the injured list for a left groin strain, Nestor Cortes picked up where he left off. The lefty retired the first I2 batters he faced before Gio Urshela lined a single to lead off the fifth inning.

After Urshela took second on wild pitch, he scored on Sanchez's double as the pair of former Yankees combined to pull the Twins within 2-1. It also knocked Cortes out of the game after 58 pitches.

"Everything felt great," Cortes said. "Today was just about commanding and giving my team the best shot to win."

Clarke Schmidt relieved Cortes and walked the first batter he faced before allowing a oneout single through the open left side to Nick Gordon that tied the game at two. Schmidt went on to provide three innings of relief to help a taxed Yankees bullpen.

For the first time since his ill-fated tenure in The Bronx, Sonny Gray started against the Yankees and struck out seven over six solid innings. The only damage came on Miguel Andujar's first big-league homer of the season, a two-run shot that gave the Yankees a 2-0 lead in the second inning.

"You have to look at this as an opportunity and try to contribute as much as you can," Andujar, who was called up from Triple-A to replace the injured DJ LeMahieu earlier in the day, said through an interpreter. "The goal is to win as many games as we can, especially where we find ourselves now."

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have momentum going into weekend

this week. Forgetting the almost comical dominance they've had over the Twins going back 20 years, the Twins are a good team, well in the hunt for the AL Central. These games were every bit as precious for the Twins as they were for the Yankees. More, even.

And yet the Yankees were a whisker away from a four-game sweep, despite playing with a diminished lineup that has to be seen to be believed every night. If Billy Martin pulled that batting order out of a hat, one of his old tricks, he'd demand the hat be DFA'd. There are

absences up and down the Yankees lineup, and DJ LeMahieu was the latest addition to the injured list, where he'll tend to a painful toe.

Boone won't get any credit for that, of course, because so many Yankees fans are building a case for the prosecution for why he should be replaced as manager. But let it be remembered that these are precisely the stretches when he is at his most valuable. Every season of his tenure with the Yankees they've experienced extended periods of battering and bruising. And always survive it.

Now, you can make the chickenor-the-egg argument if you factor the Twins into the mix, sure, but the fact is this is what Boone does best. He may not flip over many buffet tables. He may not air out his players in public, even if doing so would be tossing a few juicy carcasses to the hungry masses.

He simply makes sure certain seasons don't fall apart when a lot of seasons would fall apart. If the Yankees had lost three of four to the Twins — and in retrospect it seems astonishing that didn't happen — they'd be only $2\frac{1}{2}$ up, one in

the loss, and there's no telling what Yankee Stadium would've felt like in the hour or so before Friday's lidlifter with the Rays.

But they won three of four. They grinded their way through the week, and now get a crack at putting the Rays back in their place. Forget what the lead used to be; it's 4 ½. It's still the Rays who have to do the heavy lifting here. And thanks to a week that couldn't have gone much better, it's the Yankees holding the hammer. Now all they have to do is wield it.

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Bum toe lands DJ on 10-day injured list

By GREG JOYCE

The Yankees hoped a few days of rest could help DJ LeMahieu manage his lingering right toe inflammation.

Now he'll have at least 10, if not more.

The team placed LeMahieu on the 10-day injured list Thursday, adding to their growing list of injury woes, though there's no guarantee that this extended period of rest and treatment will solve the infielder's nagging toe issue.

Asked if any part of him thought he may not get LeMahieu back this season, manager Aaron Boone didn't rule it out.

"I'm concerned about it, obviously, because DJ's been dealing with this now for a few weeks where it's clearly compromised him," Boone said before the Yankees lost the finale of their series with the Twins, 4-3. "So yeah, there's that concern. But there's also hope with that. There hopefully are things that, on top of this timeout, this rest, hopefully the things they get to are things that free it up to where he can get back to being really productive for us."

LeMahieu previously sat out three straight games in August to try to address the toe issue. But after taking the rest, receiving treatment and getting orthotics, the 34-year-old returned to action hoping he would be able to manage it the rest of the season.

But the injury clearly continued to affect LeMahieu at the plate. Over his last 20 games, he was batting 10-for-78 (.128) with no extrabase hits and a .307 OPS, far from the player who has often served as a key cog atop the Yankees' lineup.

Boone mentioned the possibility of the infielder getting another injection, after LeMahieu received a cortisone shot during the All-Star break that temporarily addressed the problem.

With LeMahieu not having played since Sunday, the Yankees backdated his IL stint to Monday, which would make him eligible to be activated on Sept. 15 at the earliest.

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A FELLOWSHIP After a backlash from some fans about Prime Video's "Rings of Power" series including actors of color, "Lord of the Rings" movie stars Elijah Wood (center left), Billy Boyd and Dominic Monaghan (left) posted a

photo wearing shirts with elf ears in several skin tones, captioned, "You are all welcome here."



MORE LIES HBO Max has renewed "Pretty Little Liars: Original Sin" for a Season 2. The spinoff show follows a group of girls, including pregnant teen Imogen (Bailee Madison, far left), and movie buff Tabby (Chandler Kinney, near left).

Elijah Wood/Twitter

EPHERDING

By MICHAEL STARR

HERRI SHEPHERD enters the daytime talk show fray with "**Sherri**," premiering Sept. 12 at 10 a.m. on WNYW/Ch. 5. Shepherd isn't new to the genre, of course, having co-hosted "The View" for seven seasons (2007-2014) and, last season, frequently hosting for Wendy Williams, who missed the entire season of "**The Wendy Williams Show**" — which was cancelled after 13 seasons by Debmar-Mercury, the producers behind "Sherri."

'It's a completely different setting and we're in a new studio," Shepherd, 55, told The Post. "Am I borrowing anything [from 'The Wendy Williams Show']? Nope. I'm not a borrower; I'm coming on with something that's unique — because if you try to borrow from someone else, it doesn't work."

Shepherd answered a few questions about her new talk show and what viewers will see when "Sherri" hits the airwaves.

Is this a big transition for you? Not only do I have the experience of cohosting "The View" but I've been a game

show host on two game shows ["The Newlywed Game," "Best Ever Trivia Show"] by myself for an hour at a time, which is a lot of ad-libbing and improvising. I cohost an award-winning podcast with my bestie Kym Whitley called "Two Funny Mamas" and have been doing that for three years. I do standup, where I stand on stage for 45-to-90 minutes and talk by myself ... so I think doing ["Sherri"] by myself makes it a little bit easier for me.

Will there be any overarching themes or topics that you will cover?

Absolutely. I am a comic and I love all-things standup comedy because that's what I've been doing for decades. I want to showcase comedians; there are so many amazing comics out there who just need a chance. They may not be able to sit on the couch and be interviewed ... but they can sit in a chair across from me on "Sherri's Laugh Lounge" and talk about their life. It was the best feeling to be doing five minutes of standup on Jay Leno's "Tonight **Show**" and then go and sit on that couch with Jay and him respect me as a standup comedian. And I got work from that. So if I can

Will there be the standard-type of daytime talk show fare, like cooking segments?

do that for another comic? Wow.

I think there are elements to a talk show that people love. I am going to implement them with the Sherri touch on the show. I love to eat and I'm into my health so you'll see [cooking] and exercise segments — but what will be different

Sherri Shepherd dishes on her new talk show



will be that it's Sherri doing them. They rated very well on "The View." Without giving away any specifics, people are going to see lightness and they're going to know they can escape for a hour. We're going to be intentionally joyful. That's what I'm bringing.

Do you pay much attention to ratings and what people say about you on social media?

You're in a win/win or no-win situation. When you're in trouble it's not so good and when people love you, it's great. I don't get into that; there are a lot of people who are concerned about ratings. That's not my job. My job is to go out there and be Sherri and have a party and open the door and say, "Come on in and join me."

Being the age that I am ... that's why I don't pay too much attention to social media. Nobody who makes a comment is paying my rent, paying my son's school fees, nobody's taking him to basketball practice. Not one person on Facebook, Instagram or TikTok ... is going to make up my son's bed. So when you get to this age those [comments on social media] don't matter as much. Life matters, living matters. If I had this [talk show] happen to be 18 years ago I'd be fixated. I learned that on "The View" — I was fixated on what people said about me, wrote about me ... and I realized that no matter what you say, if you try to capitulate to everybody and take the weight of the world's opinions on your shoulders, it will drive you batty. You know what I don't like? Being driven batty. I like

peace in my life.



Dancing with the Stars" has announced the cast for Season 31, which includes Selma Blair (above), Wayne Brady, Jason Lewis, and the franchise's first drag queen competitor, actor and performer D.J. 'Shangela" Pierce. The former ABC show will make its debut on Disnev+ on Sept 19th.



An American version of the Irish competition series 'The Big Deal" is in the works at Fox. The Irish version of the show is hosted by model Vogue Williams (above) and involves variety acts performing for a panel of judges, where they either accept a cash payment or bet on themselves. The U.S. version of the show will be called 'Fame or Fortune.'

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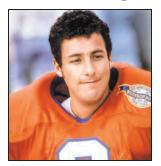
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The Book of Eli (2010): A nomad and a book. R **

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The Waterboy: The waterboy for a college football team becomes a football star himself after he learns to channel his pent-up aggression onto members of the opposing team..



ENTERTAINMENT Jimmy Kimmel Live: 11:35 p.m. on WABC 7. Special guest Kenan Thompson; from "Monday Night Football," sportscaster Joe Buck; musical guest Yungblud



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Zombieland: 11 p.m. on TNT. Woody Harrelson, Jesse Eisenberg. In a zombieridden world, two unlikely partners are befriended by sisters attempting to survive.

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191 240 (6:00) The Secret Ingredient (2020) ★★½

62 45 140 (5:30) Fifty Shades Darker (2017) R ★★

33 3 The A-Team M*A*S*H

2022 U.S. Open Tennis: Men's Semifinals Live.

Diners (R)

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19 52 217 Mean Girls (2004): A-list girl clique. ★★★ RuPaul's Drag Race

Chicago Fire

Love After Lockup: Wedding revenge.

UEFA Champions Lg. Soccer: Milan at Red Bull Salzburg. Taped

Family Guy

:05) Family Feud (9:10) NY Undercover Gladiator (2000): Rome's greatest general turns gladiator. R ★★★ al turns gladiator. Russell Crowe. R 2009): A lost night in Las Vegas. Bradley Cooper. R merican Greed: Scams American Greed: Scams anderson Cooper 360° CNN Tonight :20) The Office

La herencia: Testamento revela sorpresa.

Hawaii Five-0

The First 48 (R)

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My Lottery

Evil: Shadows (R)

Diners

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Chicago Fire

The First 48 (R)

How America Works (R)

Tucker Carlson Tonight

Diners (R)

Family Guy

My Lottery

Open By Christmas (2021): A secret admirer.

Diners (R)

Family Guy

My Lottery

Ancient Aliens

Evil: Shadows (R)

Camping World Truck: Kansas Live.

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SportsCenter Live. SportsCenter Live. Countdown College Football: Louisville Cardinals at UCF Knights from Bounce House. Live. **NFL Live** My Dream Car (R) American American Mansion The Ingraham Angle Gutfeld! Diners (R) Diners (R) Diners (R) Diners (R) Family Guy Family Guy Family Guy Family Guy

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Infiel: Hist de un engaño

(10:01) The First 48 (R)

Judge Judy Judge Judy

(10:15) New York Undercover

American Greed: Scams

The Office

Villains (R)

Family

The 700 Club (R) Mexican Liga MX Soccer: Monterrey at Juárez. Live. The Martian (2015): Astronaut must survive on Mars. Matt Damon. PG-13 ★★★½ Golden Golden Golden My Lottery My Lottery My Lottery My Lottery (9:03) Ancient Aliens (R) (10:03) Ancient Aliens (R) (11:05) Ancient Aliens (R) Evil: Shadows (R) Evil: Shadows (R) Fifty Shades Freed (2018): An old foe returns. R ★1/2 (10:03) The Boy Next Door (2015): Affair & obsession.

The Brian Daboll Show Odds With Ends More Ways High School Football Live. All in with Chris Hayes The 11th Hour Alex Wagner Tonight On Assignment (R) Ridiculous Ridiculous Ridiculous Ridiculous Ridiculous Ridiculous Ridiculous Smuggler: Rome (R) Smuggler: Rome (R) Smuggler: Rome (R) Smuggler: Rome (R) Big Nate The Smurfs Friends Friends Friends Friends Friends Friends Ready to Love Belle Collective Ready to Love (R) Ready to Love (R) John Wick: Chapter 2 (2017): John Wick comes out of retirement. (10:35) John Wick: Chapter 3 (2019) R 26 60 77 MLB Baseball: New York Mets at Miami Marlins from loanDepot Park. Live. Post Game Sports Sports Sports

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Quantum Leap Quantum Leap Quantum Leap Resident Alien (R) Walking Tall (2004): Man fights crime. Shaft (2019): A detective pursues a wealthy criminal. Walk Tall To Hell and Back (1955): A foot soldier. Audie Murphy. Holiday Affair (1949) Robert Mitchum. Luke (1967) 90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After?: Tough choices. 90 Day Fiancé: Happily 90 Day: The Single Life The Waterboy (1998): Anger management. PG-13 ★★½ All Elite Wrestling Zombieland (2009) R ★★★½ Loves Ray. Loves Ray. Loves Ray. Loves Ray. Loves Ray. Loves Ray. Queens Queens Chicago Fire Chicago Fire Chicago Fire Fire

(9:02) 50 First Dates (2004): Memory loss. PG-13 ★★★ (11:05) Mean Girls (2004) Love After Lockup: Mystery call. Super Sized Salon Love After Moments of MLB Baseball Taped. Postgame Wrath of Man (2021): Security guard. Jason Statham. The Sum of All Fears (2002): A nuclear explosion. ★★1/2 The Many Saints of Newark (2021): Tony Soprano. R Real Time w/Bill Maher First Look Back on the Record

531 371 420 Jennifer 8 (1992): City meets country. R Nobody (2021): Home break-in. R *** The Day After Tomorrow (2004): Global warming. *** Married *** True Grit (2010): Men help girl find her father's killer. ShoBox: The New Generation: 9/9/2022 Live.



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